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Antenna Boosters for IoT Devices 物联网设备的天线增强器

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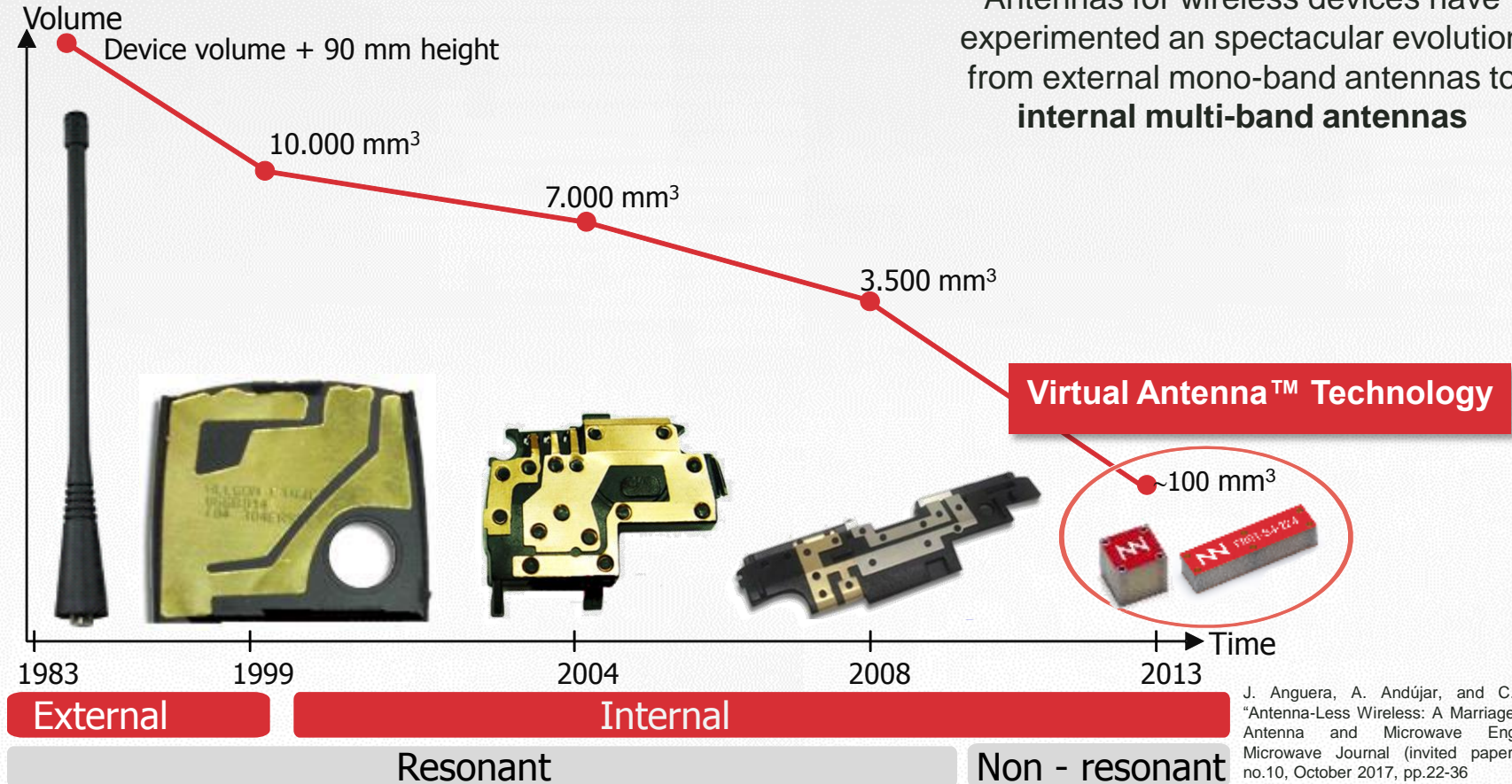
**One antenna.
Any band.
Any device.**

Faster, Cheaper, Easier.



Antenna Design Evolution

Antennas for wireless devices have experimented an spectacular evolution from external mono-band antennas to **internal multi-band antennas**



Virtual Antenna™ Technology

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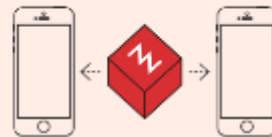
Off-the-shelf

Ready to be delivered 'as is' with no need for customization.



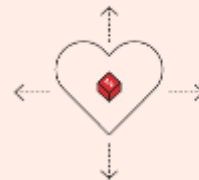
Up to 10 times smaller

A booster can be 5^3mm^3 providing the same connectivity.



Versatility

A phone can be designed with several architectures yet still using the same component.



Scalability

The 'heart' of the design can be reused across multiple device models.



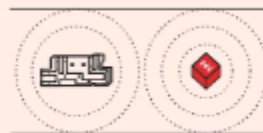
Modular

Modules or standard building blocks can be reused in the design of multiple devices.



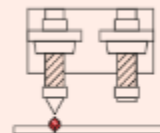
Multiband

A single antenna provides connectivity in 2G, 3G and 4G band.



Full performance

The same performance in a much smaller, off-the-shelf and versatile component.



Pick & place

No manual assembly is needed, only a conventional SMT machine.



Virtual Antenna™ Technology

The appearance of **new mobile bands** and **smart antenna technologies**, such as **LTE** and **MIMO**, adds additional challenges to the integration of conventional antenna solutions inside handset platforms:

Increased number of mobile antennas inside the handset platform and interaction with other antennas such as those intended for **Wi-Fi** and **GPS**.

Additional frequency bands for new **4G** and **5G** standards.

More discrete RF front-end components, such as matching networks, multiplexers, power amplifiers, quad-core processors, etc.

Handset platforms with **strict constraints** in terms of **size**, **weight**, **height**, **energy consumption**, etc.



FR01-S4-250

5.0 mm x 5.0 mm x 5.0 mm



FR01-S4-232

10.0 mm x 3.2 mm x 3.2 mm



FR01-S4-224

12.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 2.4 mm



FR01-S4-220

24.0 mm x 12.0 mm x 2.0 mm



FR01-S4-210

30.0 mm x 3.0 mm x 1.0 mm



MARKETS

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Smart Phones &
Tablets



IoT



Bluetooth/Wifi



ISM

Facing the Wireless Communication Era

- Smart meters
- IoT
- Parking Sensors
- Fleet Management
- Smart Home
- Smart City



Virtual Antenna™ Technology is a solution for connecting every single device through a miniature and off-the-shelf antenna component capable of being tuned at multiple frequency bands with a high level of performance

Facing the Wireless Communication Era

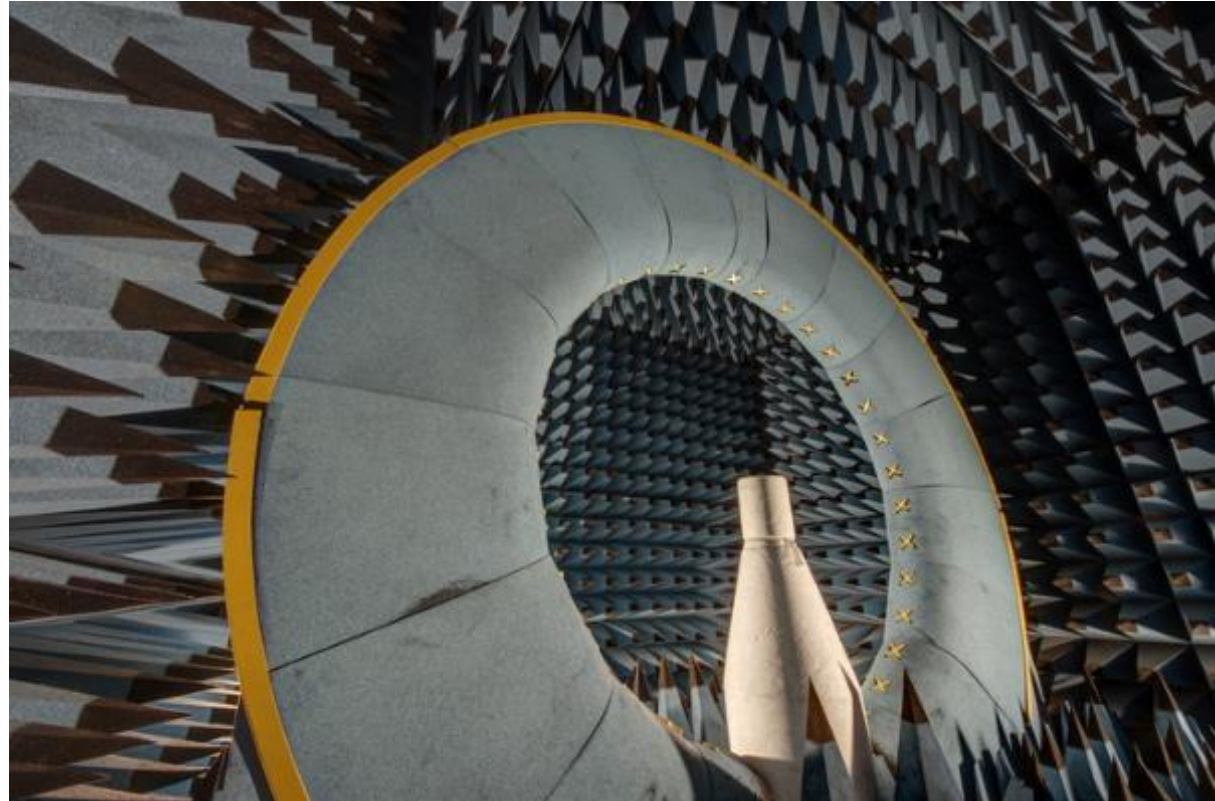
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FACILITIES

- Two anechoic chambers including a SATIMO Stargate 32 and a chamber for active testing of smartphones.
- Full RF Lab including several vectorial network analyzers (VNAs)
- Bluetest Reverberation Chamber
- Antenna simulation tools: CST, IE3D, Microwave Office
- Gerber File Importation & Analysis
- Mechanical Prototyping Lab
- Chemical Prototyping Lab



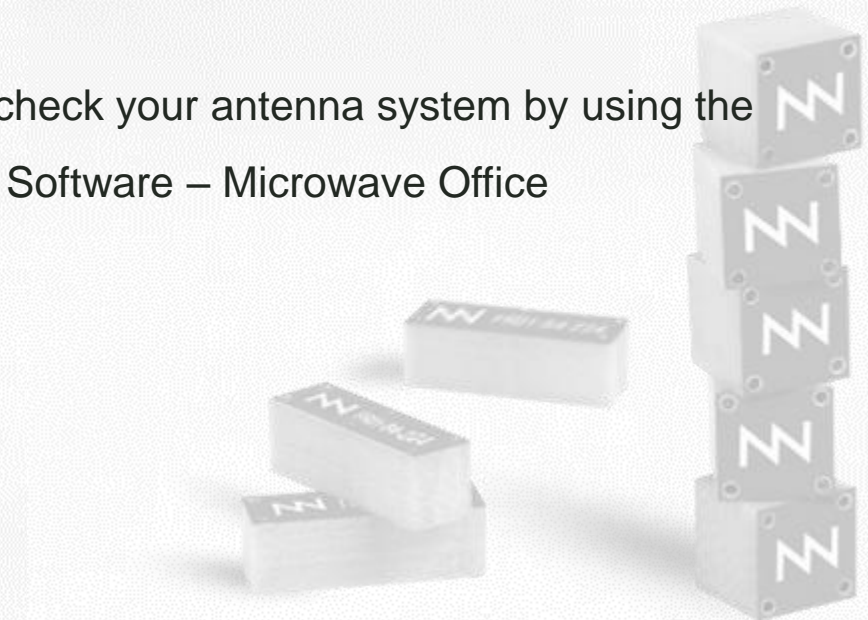
R&D SERVICES



1. NN-S-1.0 Wireless Fast Track Service
2. NN-S-2.0 Matching Network Optimization and Test
3. NN-S-3.0 Consultancy on Antenna Integration
4. NN-S-4.0 Consultancy on Wireless Device Certification

Agenda

- 9:00-9:30 Introduction
- 9:30-10:30 Part I: All About Virtual Antenna™ Technology
- 10:20-10:50 Coffee Break
- 10:50-12:30 Part II: Your turn: Design and check your antenna system by using the antenna boosters and the Electromagnetic Software – Microwave Office





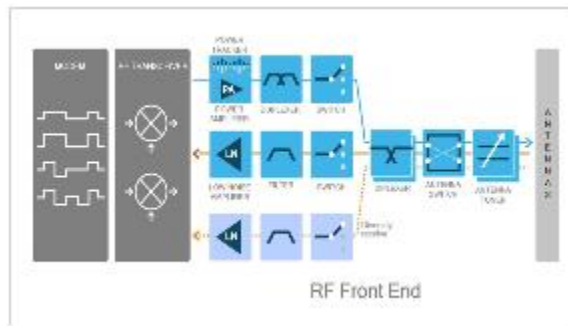


Virtual Antenna™ design for IoT Devices

Fractus Antenna
with NI AWR Design Environment

IoT Design Concerns

- Need for rapid development and integration of RF front-end modules in highly diverse IoT applications
- Address many flavors of IoT operating across multiple frequency bands and combinations of RF components: filters, antenna tuners, low-noise amplifiers, power amplifiers, etc.
- Address cost, range and power performance needs to utilize
 - Dedicated IoT networks like LoRa and SigFox
 - WiFi
 - 5G to enable long-distance versions such as NB-IoT and LTE-M.



IoT RF module design including antenna integration



Many Implementations of IoT



Bluetooth – or Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) or Bluetooth smart. Combined basic-data-rate and low-energy core configuration for a RF transceiver, baseband and protocol stack.

Freq: 2.4GHz (ISM), Range: 50-150m (Smart/BLE), Data Rates: 1Mbps (Smart/BLE)



Zigbee - Based on the IEEE802.15.4 protocol offers low power operation, high security, robustness and high scalability with high node counts .

Frequency: 2.4GHz, Range: 10-100m, Data Rates: 250kbps



Z-wave - Designed for home automation networks.

Frequency: 900MHz (ISM), Range: 30m, Data Rates: 9.6/40/100kbit/s



6LoWPAN - IPv6 Low-power wireless Personal Area Network, has the freedom of frequency band and physical layer and can also be used across multiple communications platforms, including Ethernet, Wi-Fi, 802.15.4 and sub-1GHz ISM.



LoRaWAN- Optimized for low-power consumption and supporting large networks with millions and millions of devices, Freq: various, Range: 2-5km (urban) and 15km (suburban) data rates range from 0.3 kbps to 50 kbps.



WiFi 802.11 b/g/n - - Frequencies: 2.4GHz and 5GHz bands, Range: Approximately 50m, Data Rates: 600 Mbps maximum, but 150-200Mbps is more typical, depending on channel frequency used and number of antennas

- **NFC** - Frequency: 13.56MHz (ISM)
- **Sigfox** - Frequency: 900MHz
- **Thread** - Frequency: 2.4GHz (ISM)
- **Neul** - Frequency: 900MHz (ISM), 458MHz (UK), 470-790MHz (White Space)



Cellular - Sensor-based low-bandwidth-data over longer distances can take advantage of GSM/3G/4G cellular communications. Frequencies: 900/1800/1900/2100MHz, Range: 35km max for GSM; 200km max for HSPA



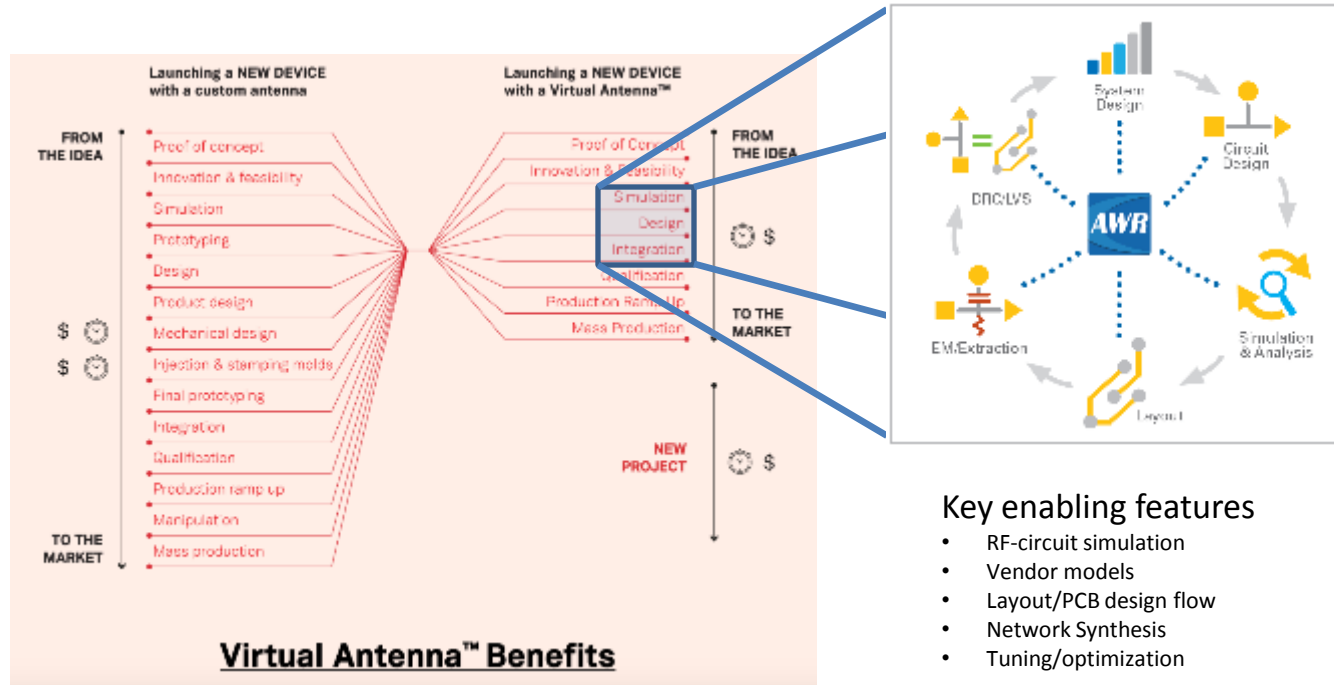
A Collaboration to Address IoT Design



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Goal: Reduce design complexity and engineering effort with a modular approach to IoT device development, design aids, models and simulation

Accelerating Concept to Product ...



Key enabling features

- RF-circuit simulation
- Vendor models
- Layout/PCB design flow
- Network Synthesis
- Tuning/optimization

Technical Collaboration



Fractus Antennas

Selected application notes

- Application note: Matching network for IoT with no placement bags with the Impedance Tuning (TNTM)
- Application note: High performance with a wide frequency range with a wideband (WB) matching network
- Application note: Matching network for 5G
- Application note: Matching network for 4G
- Application note: Matching network for 3G
- Application note: Matching network for 2G

3.3. MATCHING NETWORK

The goal of a Fractus Antennas matching network is to match the antenna impedance to the system impedance. This is the reason why it is highly recommended placing pads designed with 0.022 and 0.022 GHz components for matching network to connect to the feeding point. The Fractus Antennas matching network is designed to provide a wide range of frequency range. The Fractus Antennas matching network is designed to provide a wide range of frequency range. The Fractus Antennas matching network is designed to provide a wide range of frequency range.

Please note that different devices with different ground planes and different components nearby the Fractus Antennas matching network may need a different matching network. To obtain ground results, the use of high Q and high frequency components is highly recommended. Please note that the matching network is designed to provide a wide range of frequency range. The Fractus Antennas matching network is designed to provide a wide range of frequency range.

2.4 - 2.5 GHz and 4.0 - 4.5 GHz

Value	Part Number
0.022	CALCULATED TO 0.022
0.022	0.022
0.022	0.022
0.022	0.022

- Fractus Antenna Models are available in Microwave Office software for simulation
- Selection of application notes provides matching network details for implementation in Microwave Office software
- Surface-mount lumped element components also available in Microwave Office vendor libraries
- Use them to simulate, generate layout and integrate antenna into IoT front-ends

Device: RUN mXTEND™ (FR01-S4-224)

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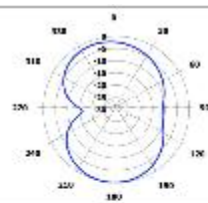
APPLICATIONS

The antenna for IoT: NB-IoT, LoRa, Zigbee or Sigfox

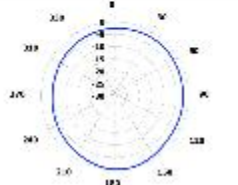
- Product: RUN mXTEND™ FR01-S4-224
- Dimensions: 12.0 mm x 5.0 mm x 2.4 mm
- Frequency regions: 690-900 MHz, 910-960 MHz and 9400-9600 MHz



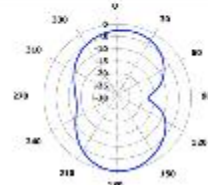
Measurement System Set-Up
Evaluation Board in Plane XY



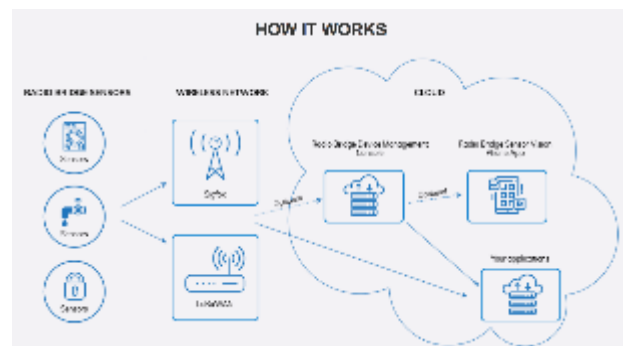
$\theta = 90^\circ$ Plane XY at 900 MHz



$\phi = 0^\circ$ Plane XZ at 890 MHz



$\phi = 90^\circ$ Plane YZ at 890 MHz



Gain	Peak Gain	1.6 dBi
	Average Gain across the band	1.0 dBi
	Gain Range across the band (min, max)	-0.3 <=> 1.6 dBi
Efficiency	Peak Efficiency	75.1 %
	Average Efficiency across the band	69.1 %
	Efficiency Range across the band (min, max)	54.1 – 75.1 %

Device: RUN mXTEND™ (FR01-S4-224)



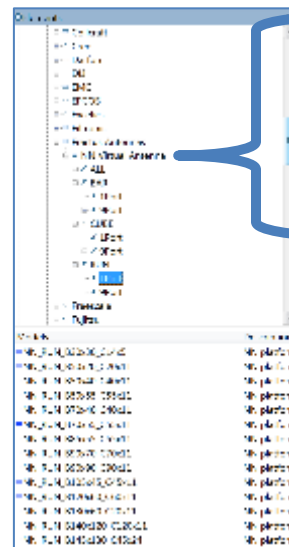
Material: The RUN mXTEND™ Antenna Booster is built on glass epoxy substrate.

APPLICATIONS

- Smart Metering
- Smart City & Smart Building
- Industrial IoT
- Remote monitoring and control
- Sensors
- Personal & Asset Tracking
- Fleet management
- RFID
- Retail
- Security Systems
- Smart Home
- Medical

BENEFITS

- High efficiency
- Small size
- Cost-effective
- Easy-to-use (pick and place)
- Multiband behaviour (worldwide standards)
- Off-the-Shelf Standard Product (no customization is required)



NI AWR Design
Environment
element browser:
Fractus Antenna
models
in Vendor library

Application note:

https://www.fractusantennas.com/files/AN_FR01-S4-224_IoT-2.pdf

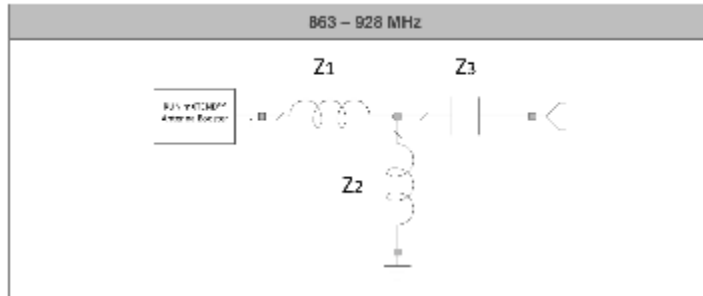
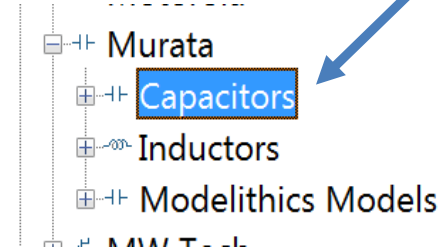


Figure 3 – Topology of matching network mounted for the different solutions.

Dimensions (B x C)	Z ₁	Z ₂	Z ₃
75mm x 54mm	24nH	7.5nH	1.8pF
60mm x 54mm	25nH	6.8nH	1.9pF
40mm x 54mm	25nH	7.2nH	1.5pF
40mm x 40mm	27nH	7.2nH	2.1pF
40mm x 20mm	27nH	8.2nH	2.0pF

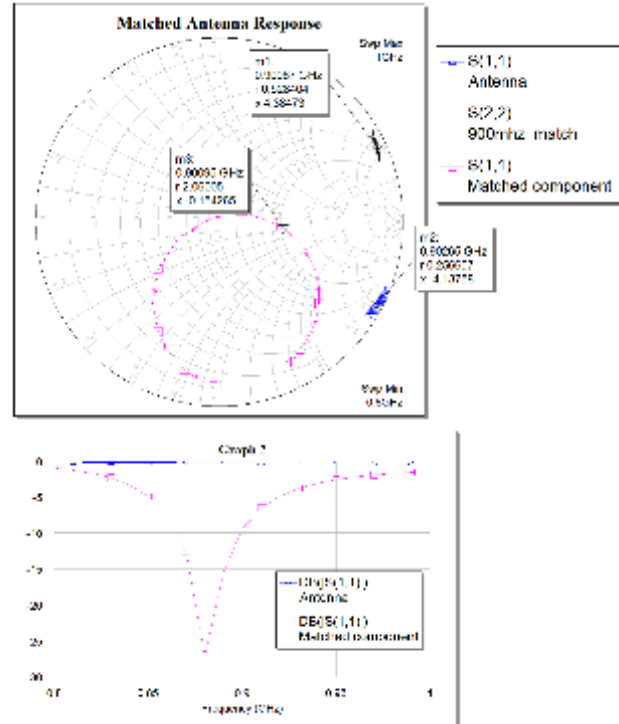
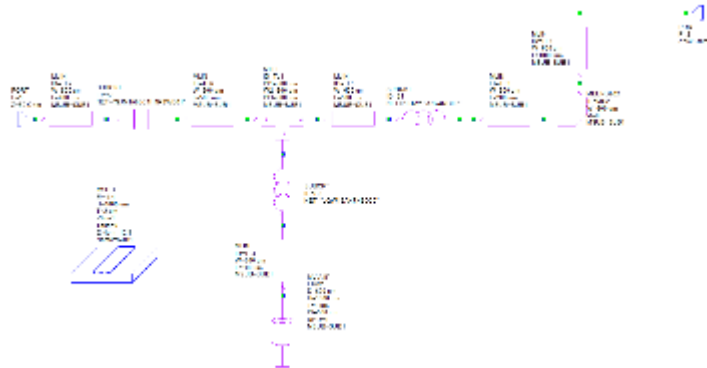
	Value	Part Number
Z ₁	24nH	LQW18AN24NG00
	25 nH	LQW18AN25NG80
	27 nH	LQW18AN27NG80
Z ₂	7.5 nH	LQW18AN7N5C80
	6.8 nH	LQW18AN6N8C10
	7.2 nH	LQW18AN7N2C80
	8.2 nH	LQW18AN8N2C80
Z ₃	1.8 pF	GJM1555C1H1R8WB01
	1.5 pF	GJM1555C1H1R5WB01
	2.1 pF	GJM1555C1H2R1WB01
	2.0 pF	GJM1555C1H2R0WB0

Suggested SMT components in matching circuit for **900 MHz operations**
(Also in vendor library)

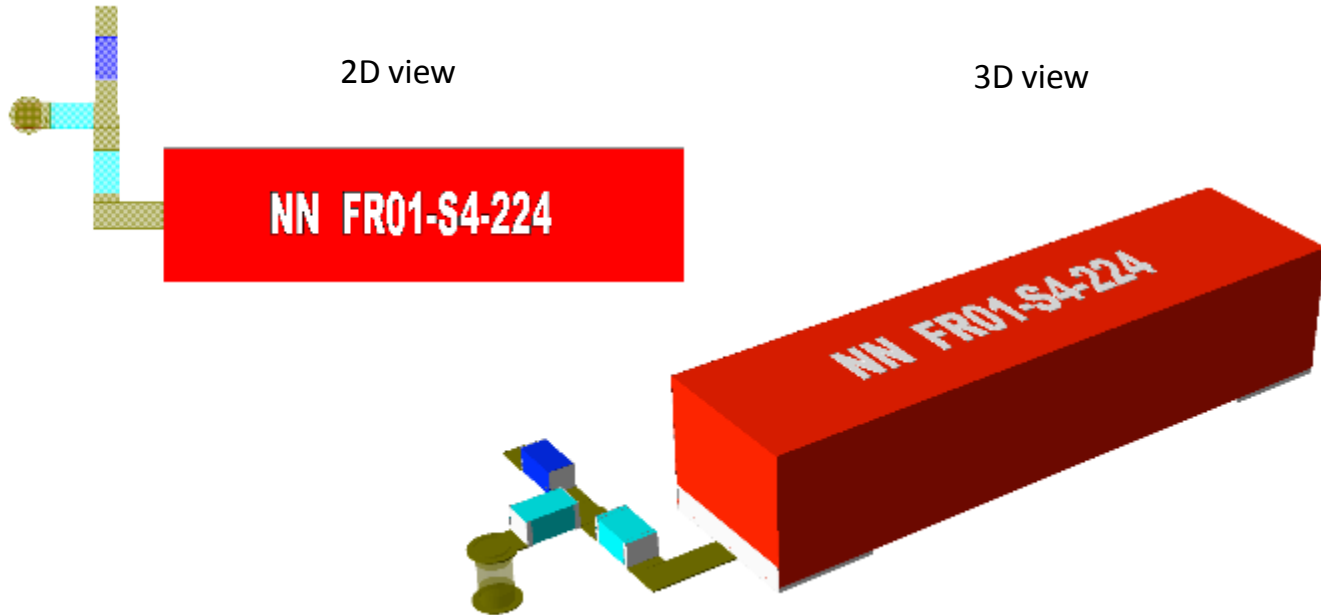


Matching Network (50 Ω)

Matching Network
Schematic: 900 MHz operations



Matching Network (Layout)

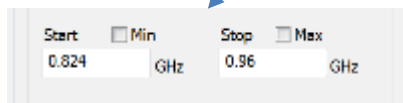
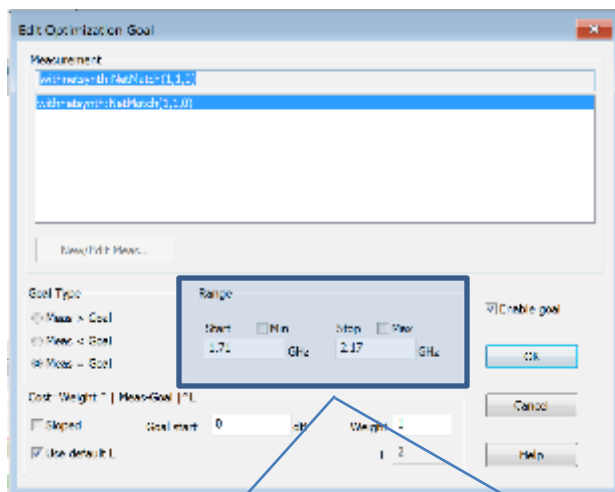




Matching Circuit Design Support with Network Synthesis

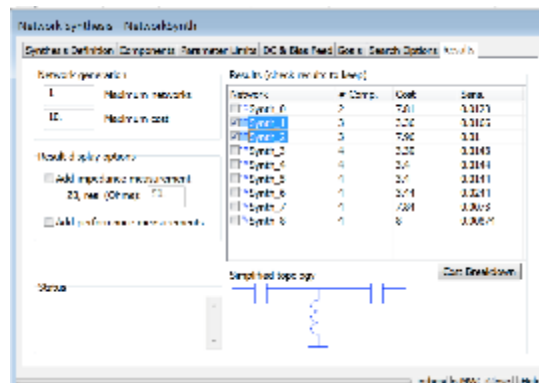
Design Support: Network Synthesis

Define matching goals

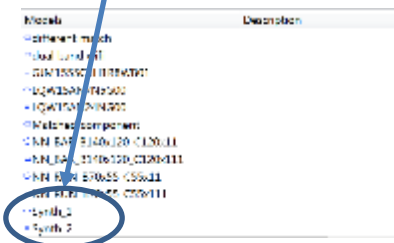


Multiple goals (i.e. frequency bands) can be defined

Multiple synthesized solutions

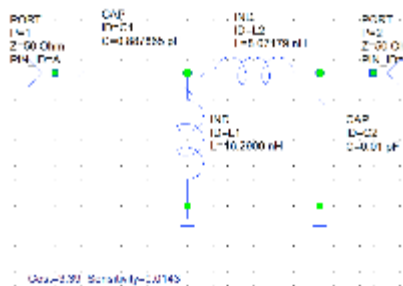


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MWO project

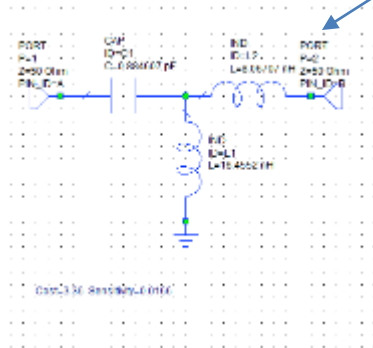


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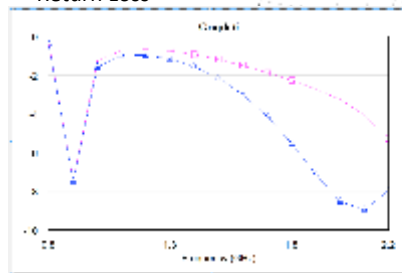
Sub-circuit solution 1



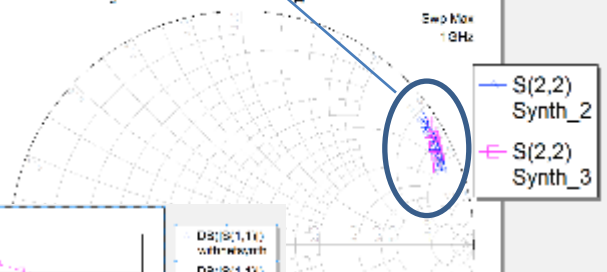
Sub-circuit solution 2



Matched Antenna
Return Loss



Synthesized Matching Circuits



Alternative matching example

(Non-50 Ω case)

 TDnext



Hervé Callewaert

RFO output impedance for SX1272 / SX1276 and SX1261 chip

Hello,

I use those chip in miniaturized module, and I had some trouble on performance of TX matching network, and it occur a reduction of TX output power compared to Dev kit performance. I need to adjust the values of my BoM

I want to know the output Z of the RFO path when the transceiver work at +13/14 dBm

Thank for your feed back.

Regards

Herve Callewaert

Hi Hervé,

At 14 dBm, the required load impedance seen by the RFO pin of SX1272 or SX1276 at 868 MHz is $14 + j4$ Ohms.



SIGFOXTM Solutions

Дир. 1-2

TD1207R/08R

DATASHEET



GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Informações para 13/12/10210 de uma única
referência. Ins. nº 001.5670631, natureza

BOARD FEATURES

- 2.8V to 3.2V Power supply
- 1.0 μ A sleep mode consumption
- LGA28 (15.4x10.2) 3-Bit Metal Lead Grid Array package with 16 pins
- High CAE Efficiency

KEY FEATURES

- 50-100 M² per acre - variable land
- 140-280 maximum fish/bogal
- 100-200, 400-500, 600-800, 900-1000
- 100-200, 400-500, 600-800, 900-1000

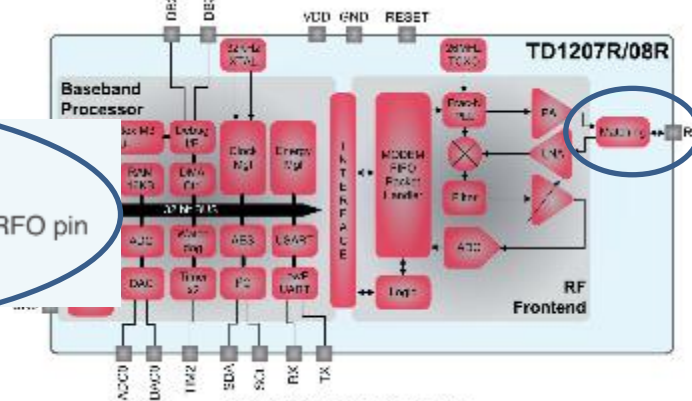
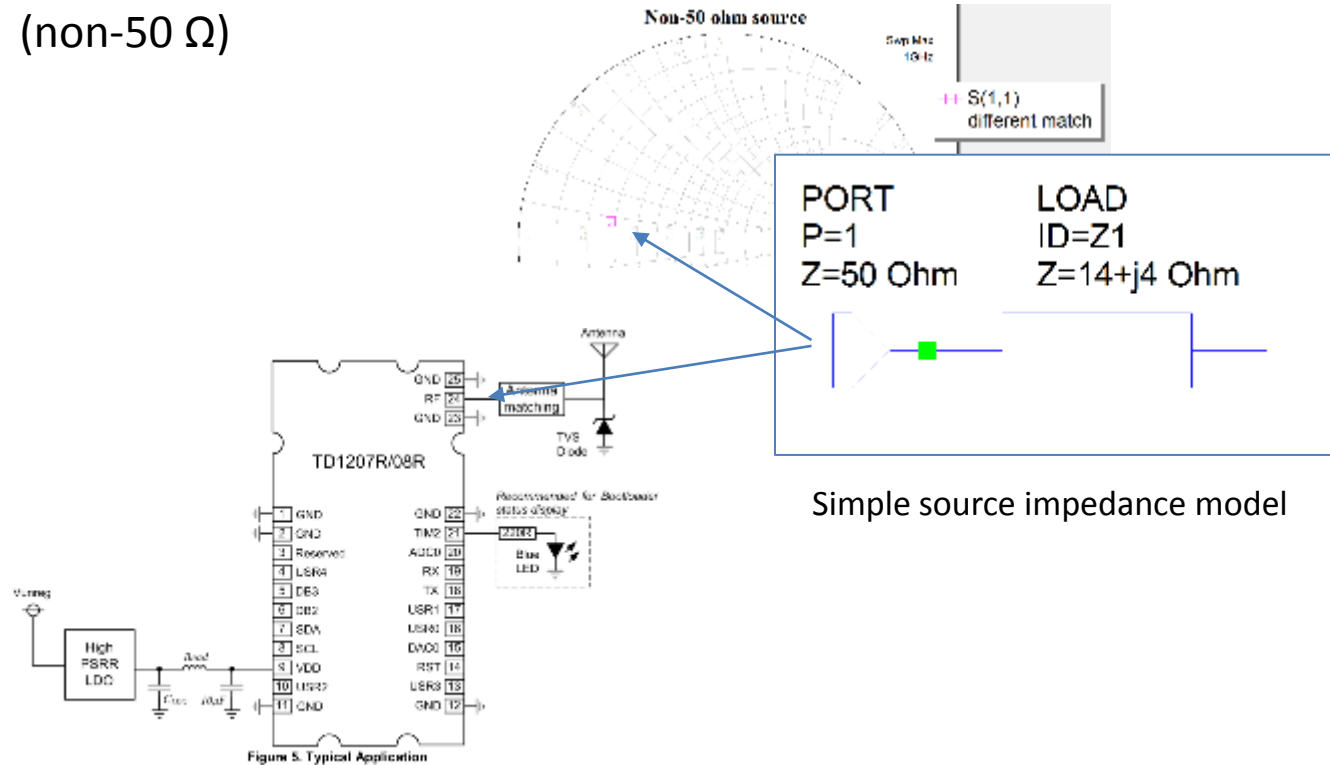


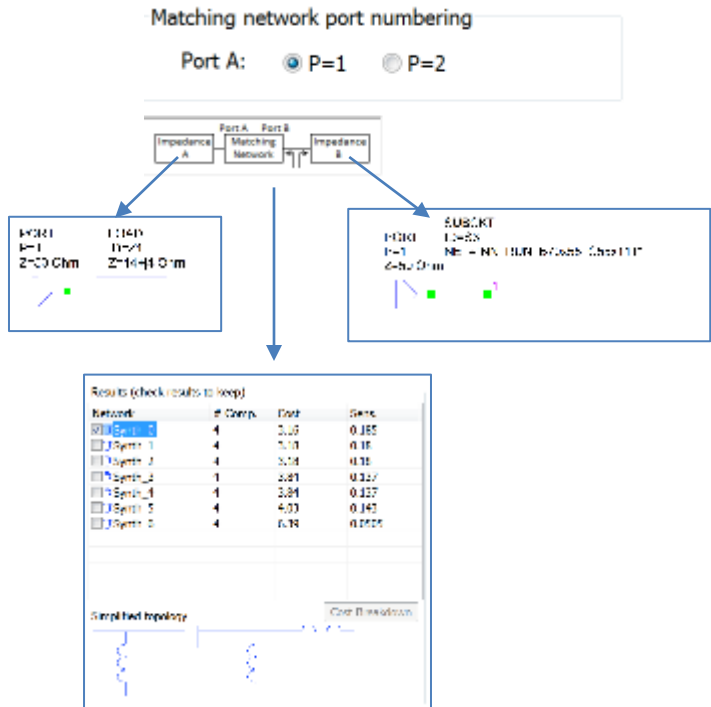
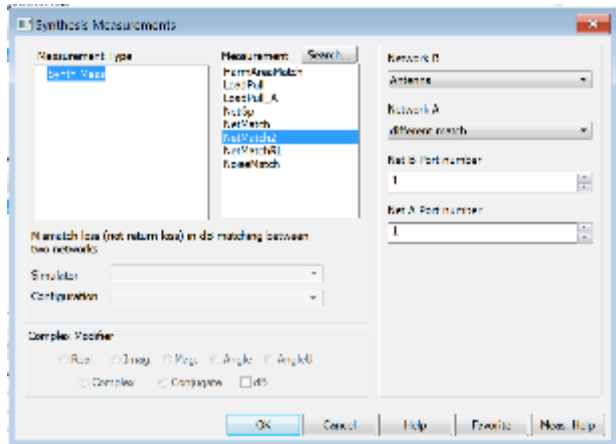
Figure 1. TD1207R00R block diagram

Alternative matching requirements

(non-50 Ω)



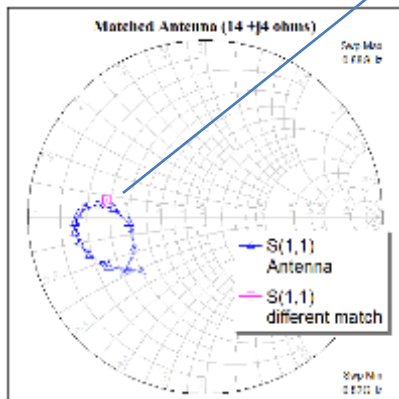
Alternative matching requirements (non-50 Ω)



Alternative matching requirements

(non-50 Ω)

Antenna matched to required module
load impedance of
14+j4 ohm (mid-band)



PORT
P=1
Z=50 Ohm

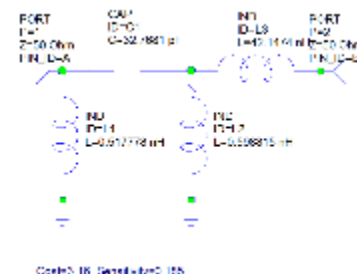


SUBCKT
ID=S1
NET="Synth_0"

SUBCKT
ID=S3
NET="NN_RUN_B70x55_C55x1"



Synthesized matching network
Inserted in front of antenna

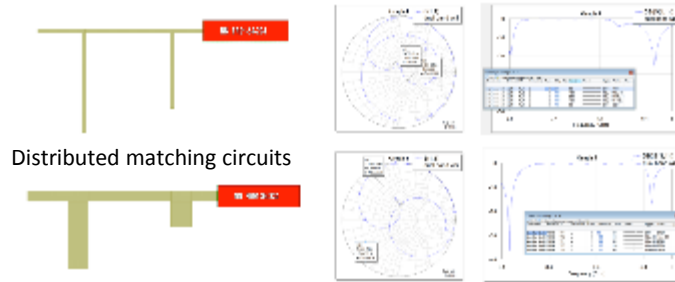




Additional Useful Design Support Features

Interactive Real-time Tuning

Example: Dual band WiFi distributed transmission line matching – optimizing return loss while addressing size and manufacturing considerations

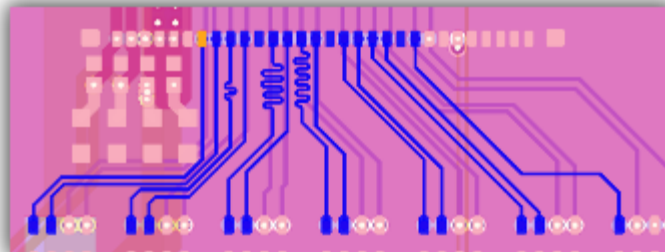


Distributed matching circuits

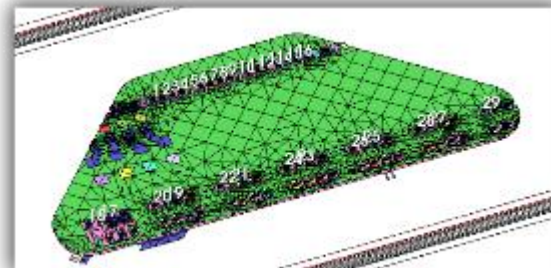
Transmission Line Calculator



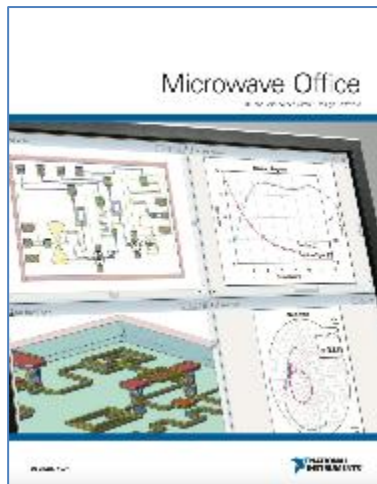
PCB Import



EM Analysis



NI AWR Design Solutions for IoT



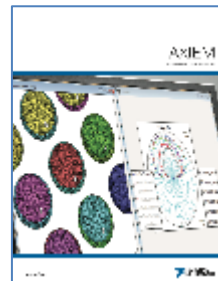
Microwave Office Features at a Glance

- **Schematic/Layout** – Design entry with industry-leading tuning
- **APLAC** – Linear and nonlinear circuit simulation
- **EM Analysis** – Fully integrated circuit/EM co-simulation
- **Load-Pull** – State-of-the-art load-pull analysis
- **DRC/LVS** – Design rule checking/layout vs. schematic
- **Synthesis** - Network matching and filter synthesis wizards (Options)

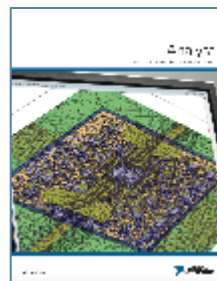


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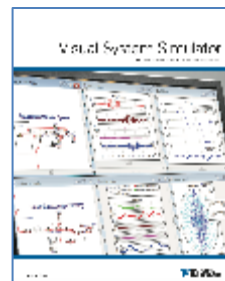
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3D EM



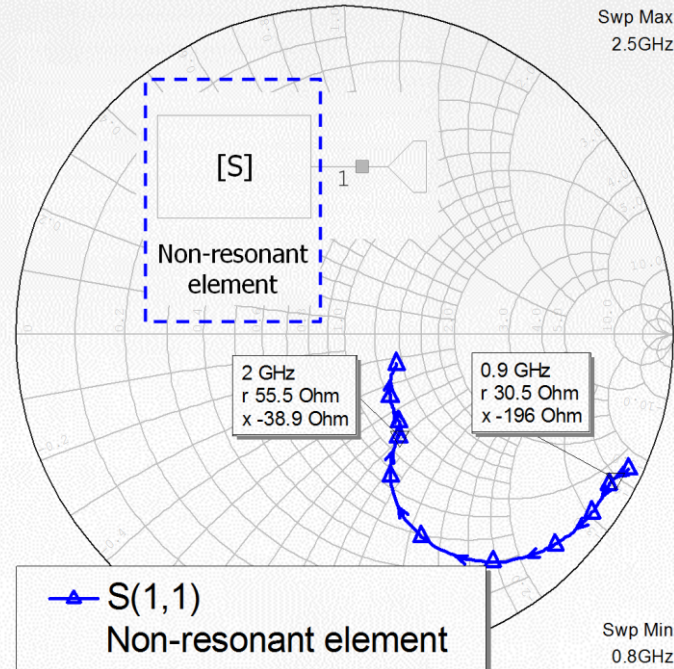
VSS
System Simulation



About Virtual Antenna™ Technology

- Introduction
- Basic Antenna Parameters
- About Inductors and Capacitors
- Video Tutorials
- Some Practical Examples

Introduction: Matching Network Design



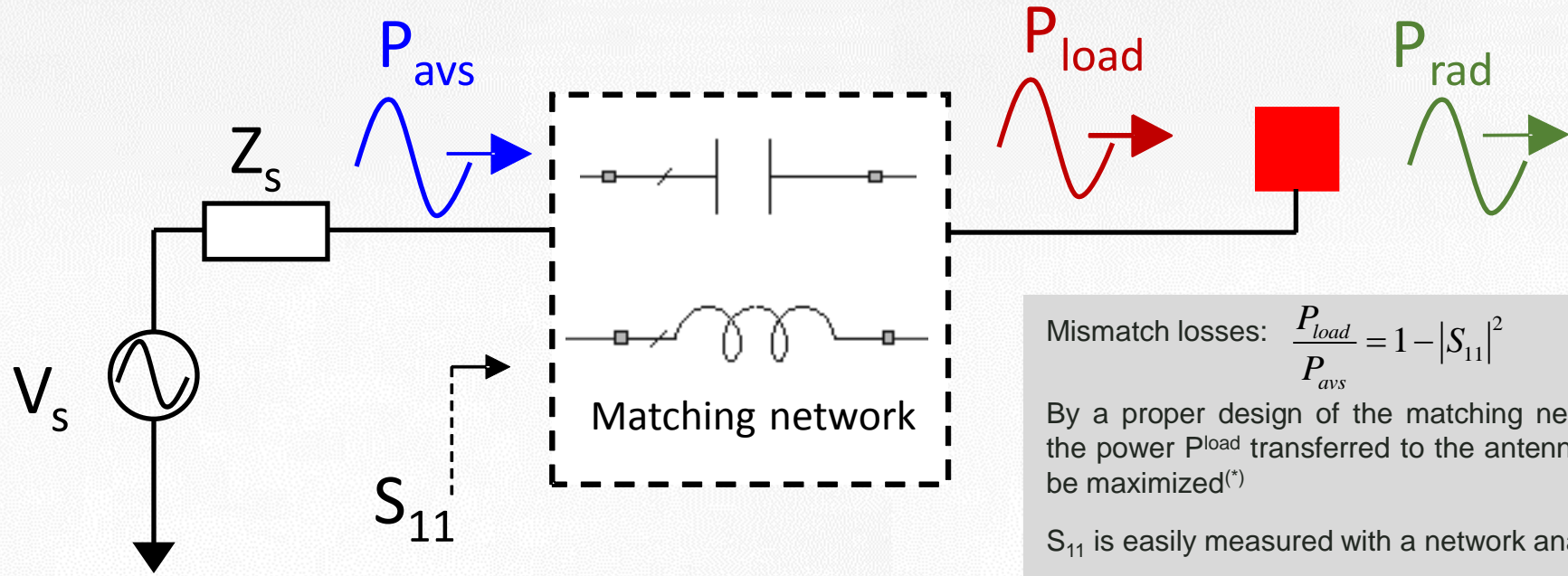
note: this simulated impedance correspond to the RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster on a 120 mm x 60 mm ground plane without a matching network

- How can the reactive impedance be matched at two different frequency regions?
- Can we match at 824-960MHz and 1710-2690MHz?
- Can we match at 698-960MHz and 1710-2200MHz?



Matching Network Design: S_{11} , SWR, Efficiency

- S_{11} /SWR takes into account how much power from the generator (P_{avs}) is delivered to the antenna P_{load} (not to space)



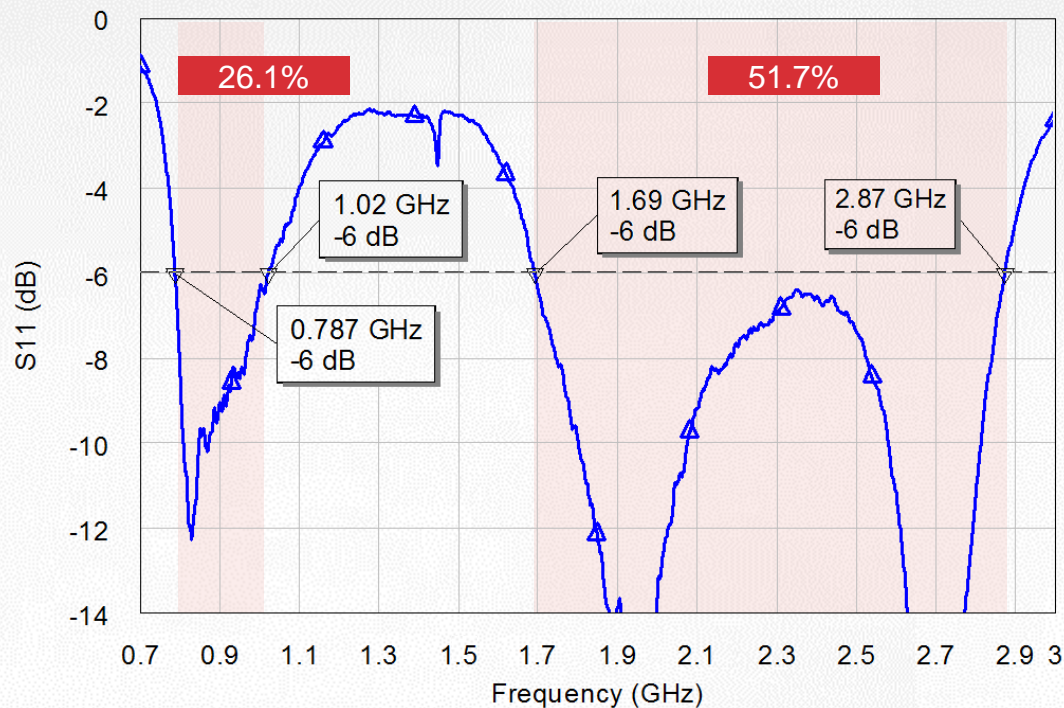
Mismatch losses: $\frac{P_{load}}{P_{avs}} = 1 - |S_{11}|^2$

By a proper design of the matching network, the power P_{load} transferred to the antenna can be maximized(*)

S_{11} is easily measured with a network analyzer

(*) Equation holds for a lossless matching network

Basic Antenna Parameters: S_{11} and Bandwidth



$$BW(\%, SWR \leq 3) = \frac{f_2 - f_1}{\frac{f_2 + f_1}{2}} \times 100$$

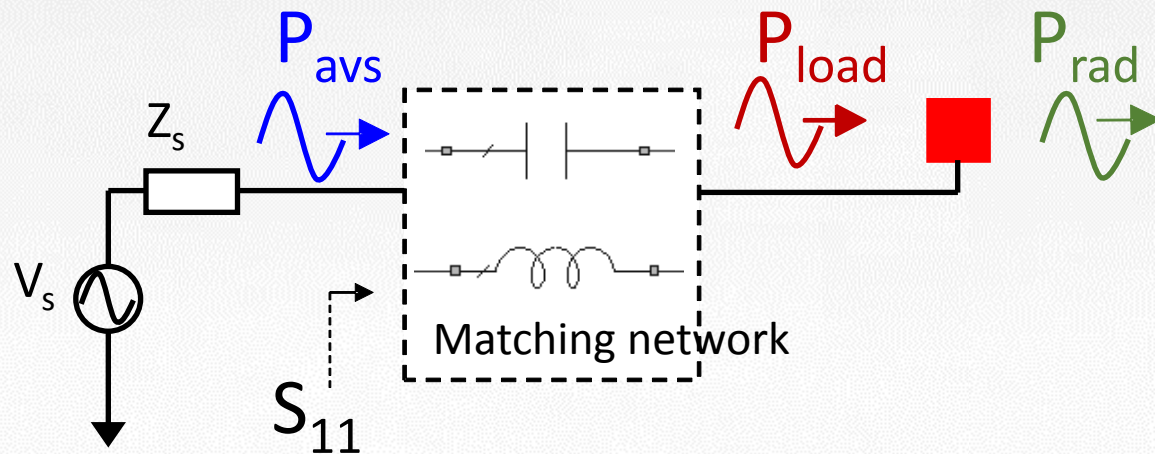
	824-960MHz	1710-2690MHz
BW (%)	15.2	44.5



R&S@ZNLE Vector Network Analyzer

Basic Antenna Parameters: Efficiency

- Efficiency takes into account the power radiated to space (P_{rad})



Radiation Efficiency: $\frac{P_{rad}}{P_{load}} = \eta_r$

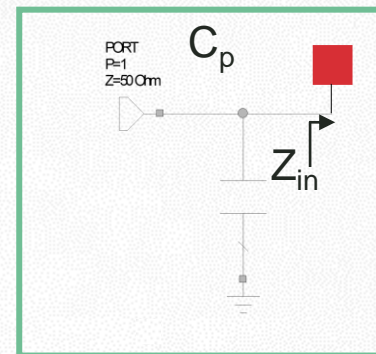
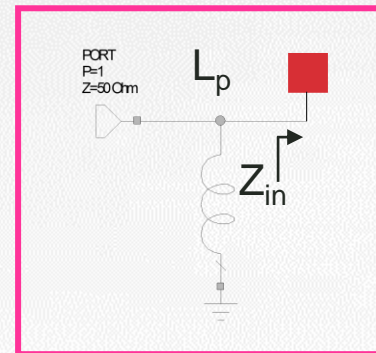
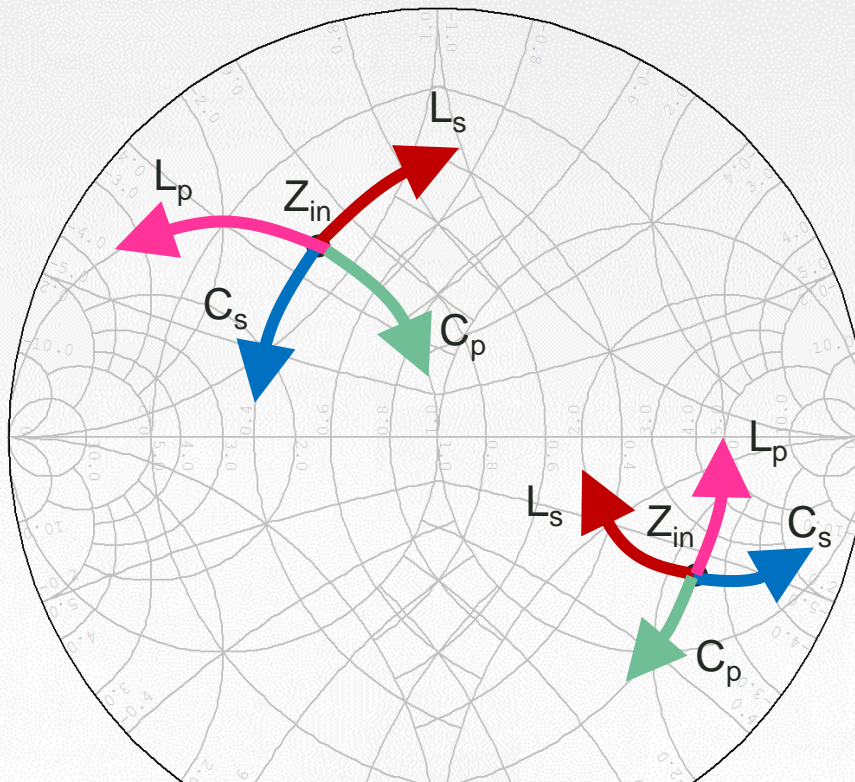
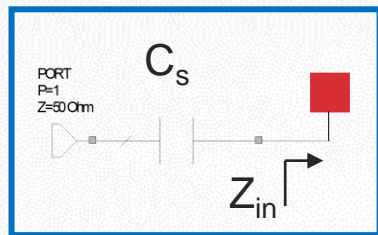
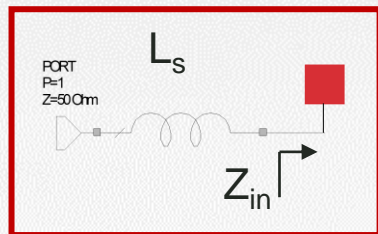
Total efficiency: $\frac{P_{rad}}{P_{avs}} = \eta_t = \eta_r (1 - |S_{11}|^2)$

SWR	S_{11} (dB)	$1 - S_{11}$ (%)	$1 - S_{11}$ (dB)
6	-2.9	49.0	-3.1
3	-6.0	75.0	-1.2
2	-9.5	88.9	-0.5
1.5	-14.0	96.0	-0.2

Basic Antenna Parameters: Efficiency

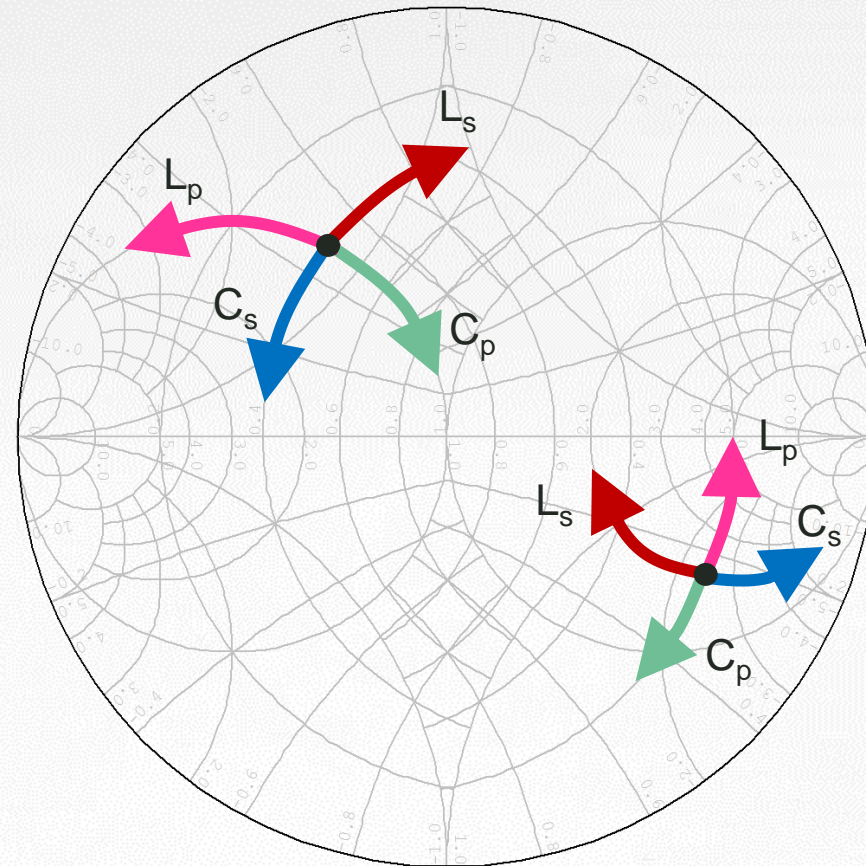
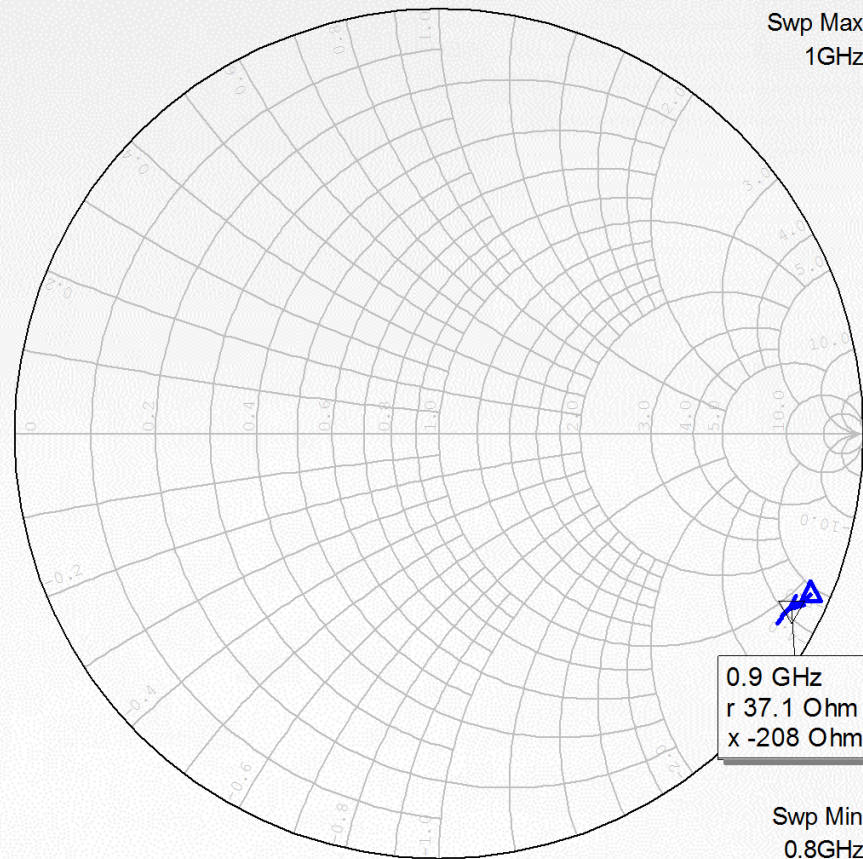


The Smith Chart: Basic Matching Network Movements

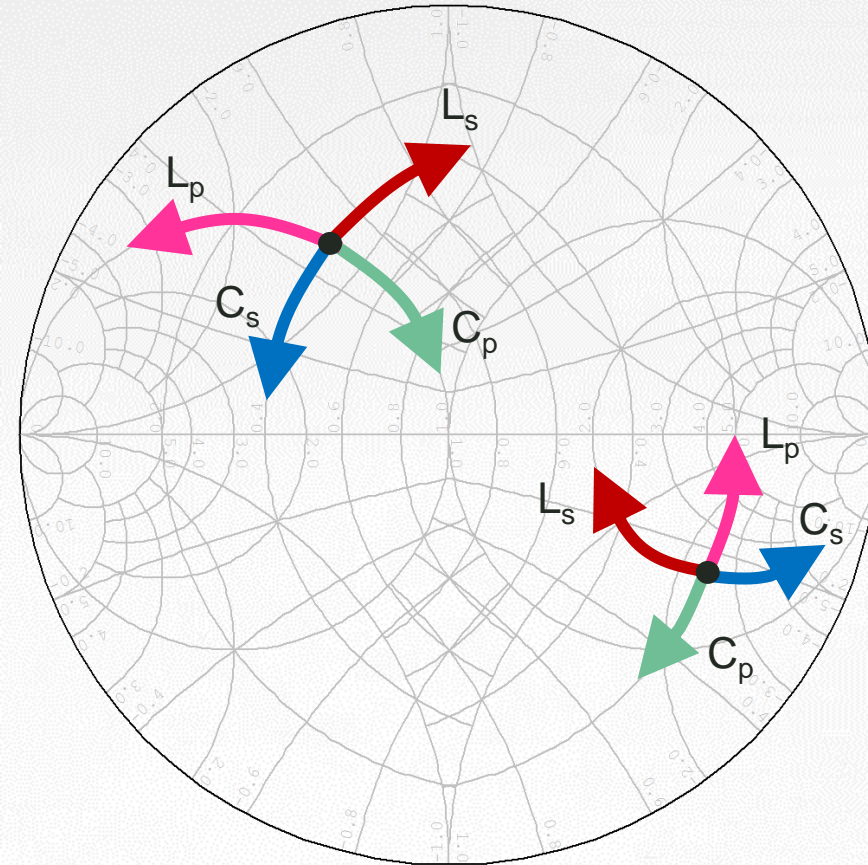
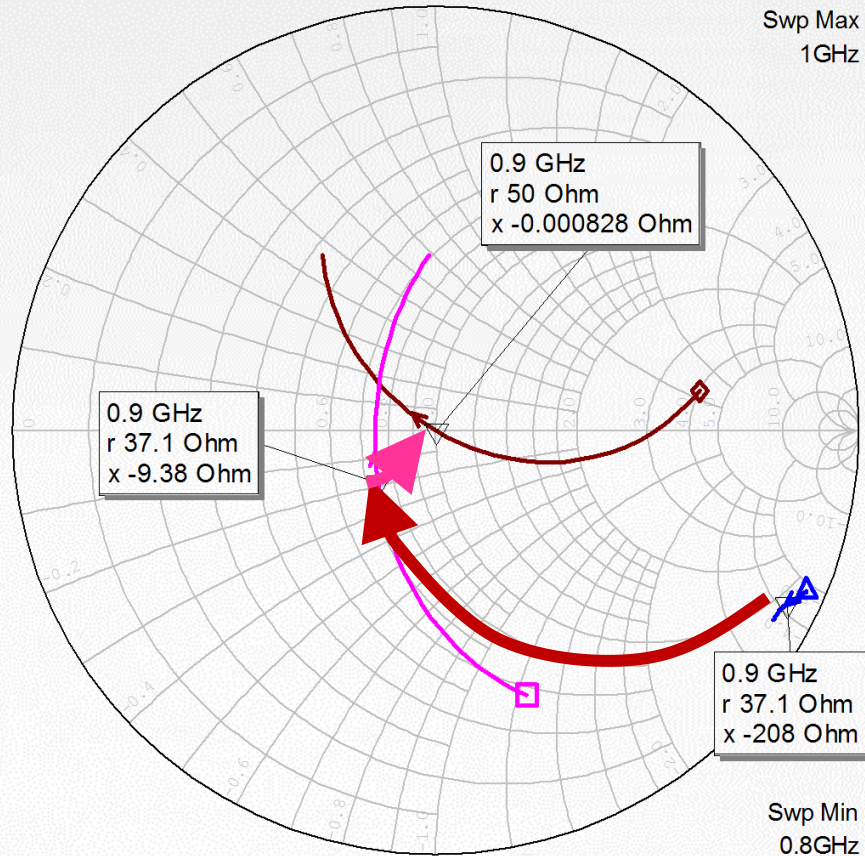


Inductors increase reactance
Capacitors decrease reactance

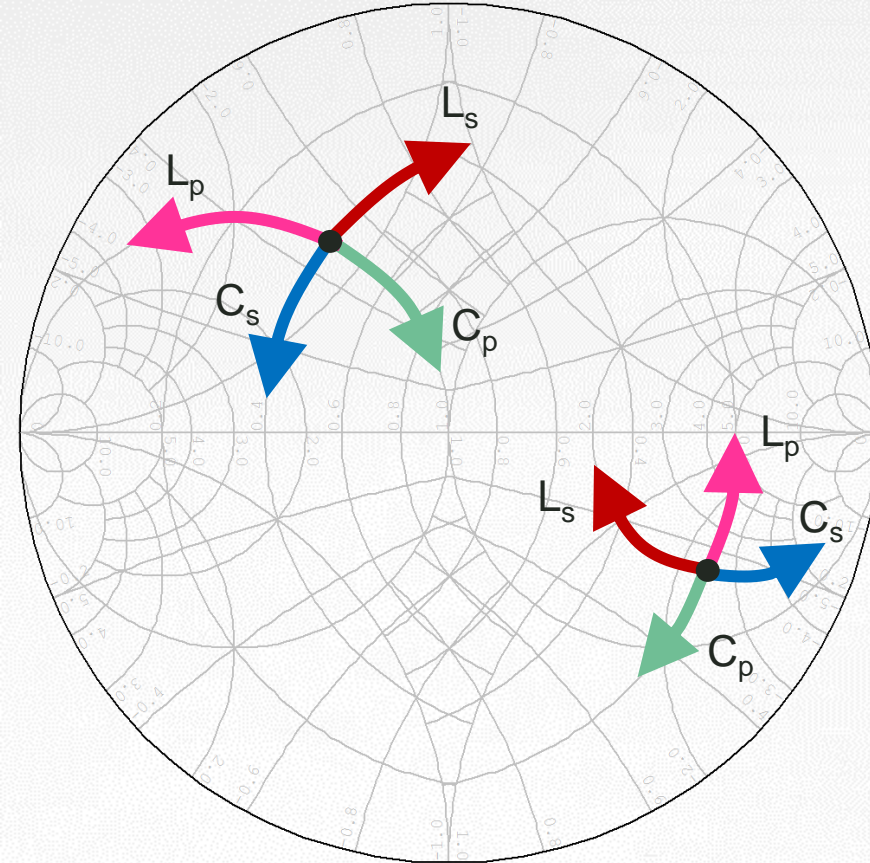
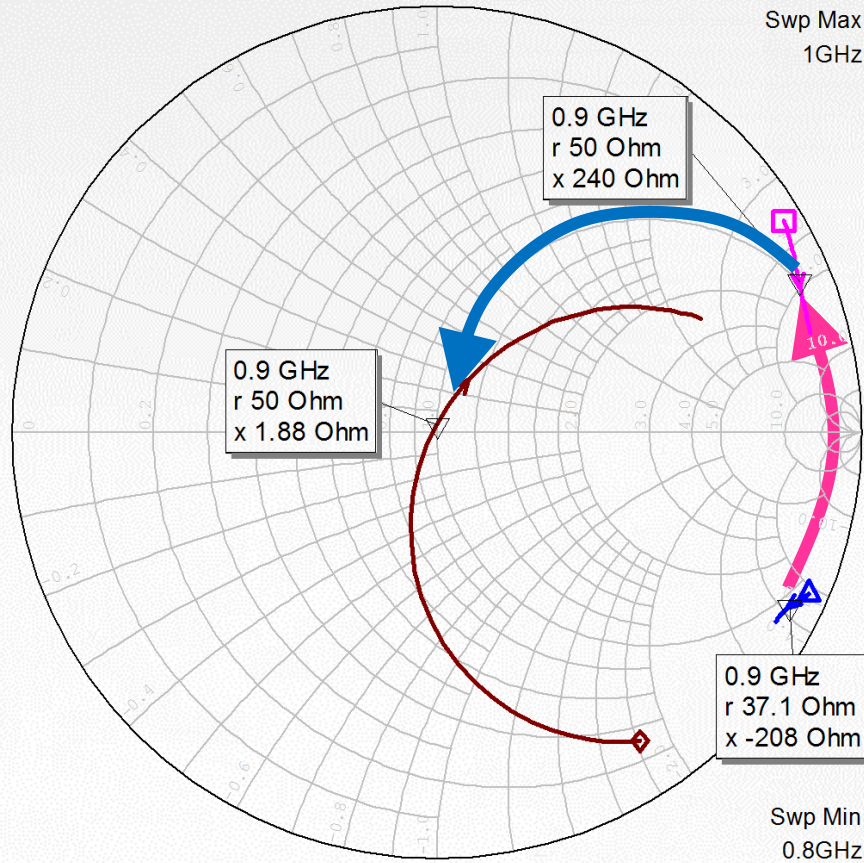
An example (I): Can you Propose a Matching Network?



An example (II): $L_s + L_p$

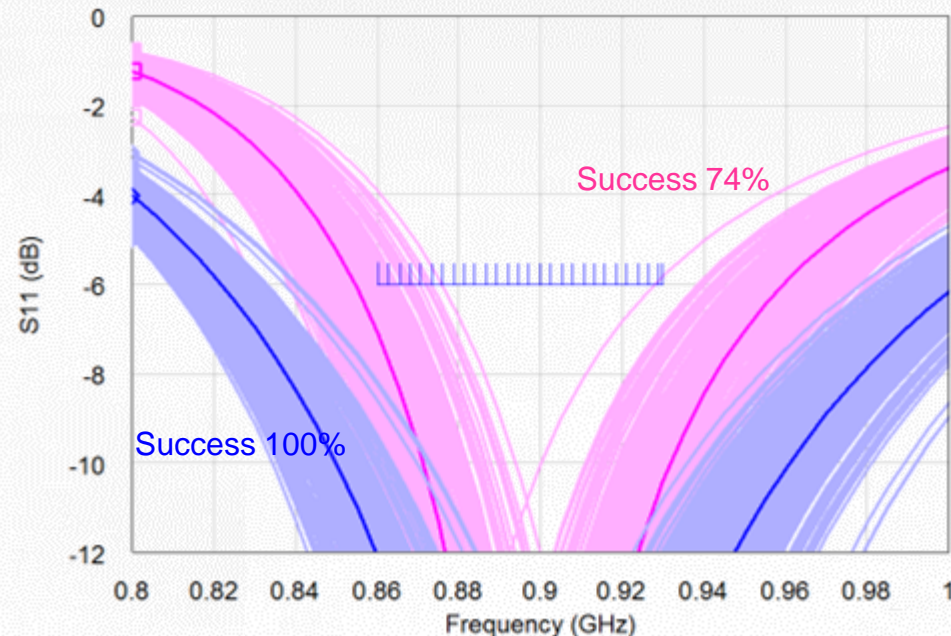
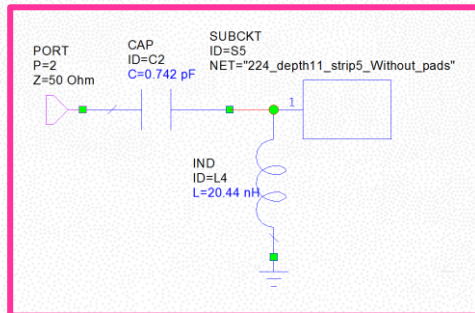
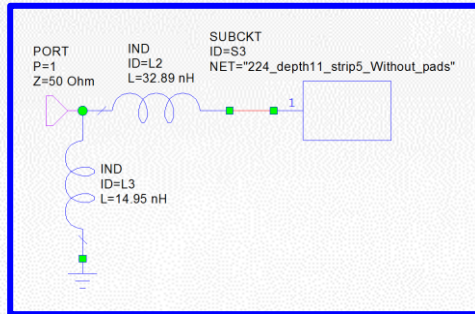


An example (III): $L_p + C_s$



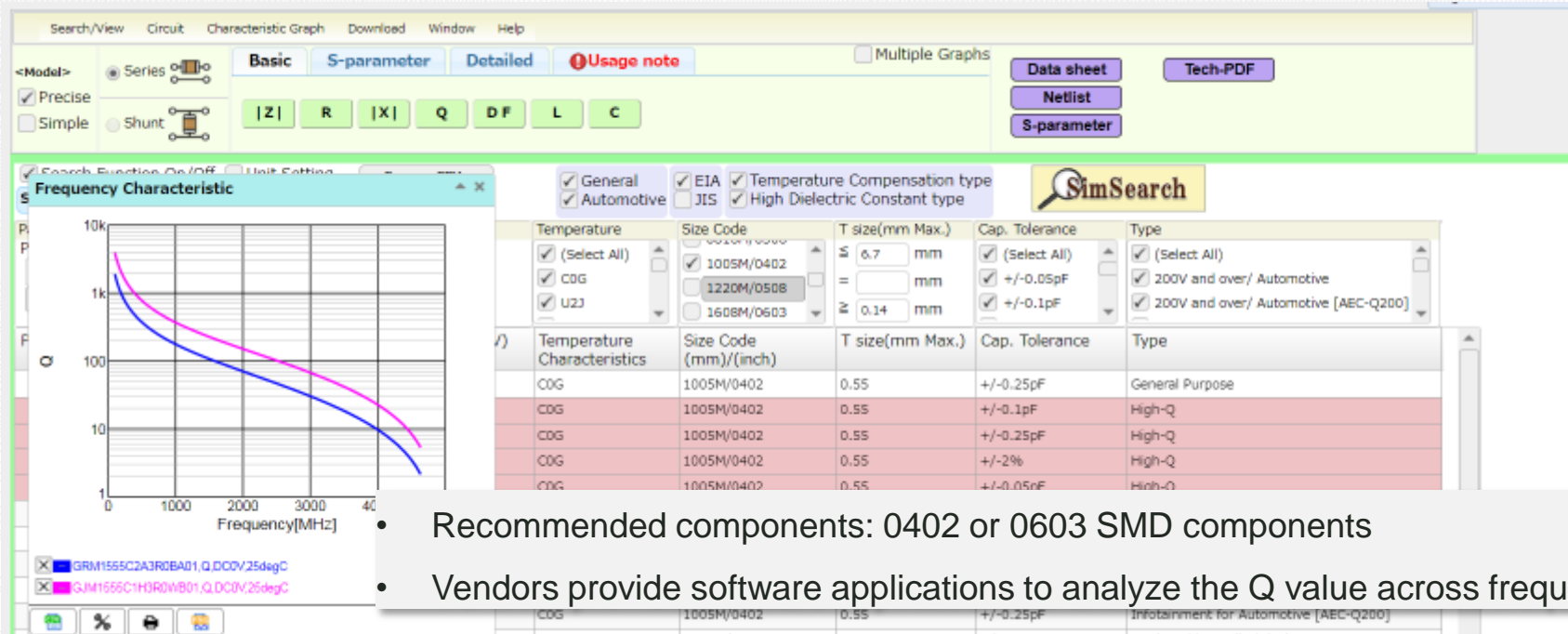
Several solutions...then, which one is the best?

- The one that has enough bandwidth for your application and...
- ... has less number of components
- ... robust to tolerance analysis
- ... low losses



About Inductors and Capacitors

- Do I need to know somethings else besides an L or C value? Yes, Q matters!!
 ▶ The largest the Q, the better



- Recommended components: 0402 or 0603 SMD components
- Vendors provide software applications to analyze the Q value across frequency

Video Tutorials

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STEP 1

Place the antenna component



STEP 2

Design your matching network



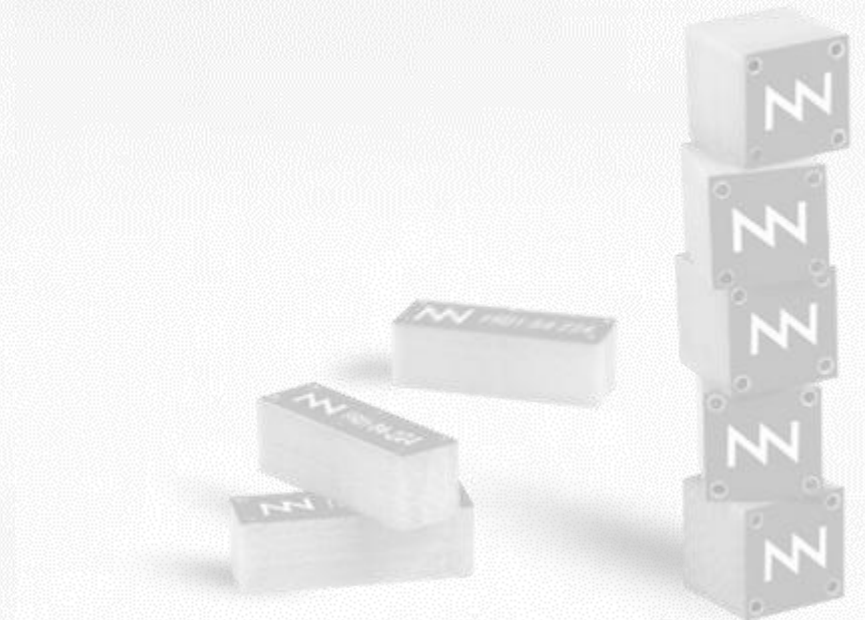
STEP 3

Test your device

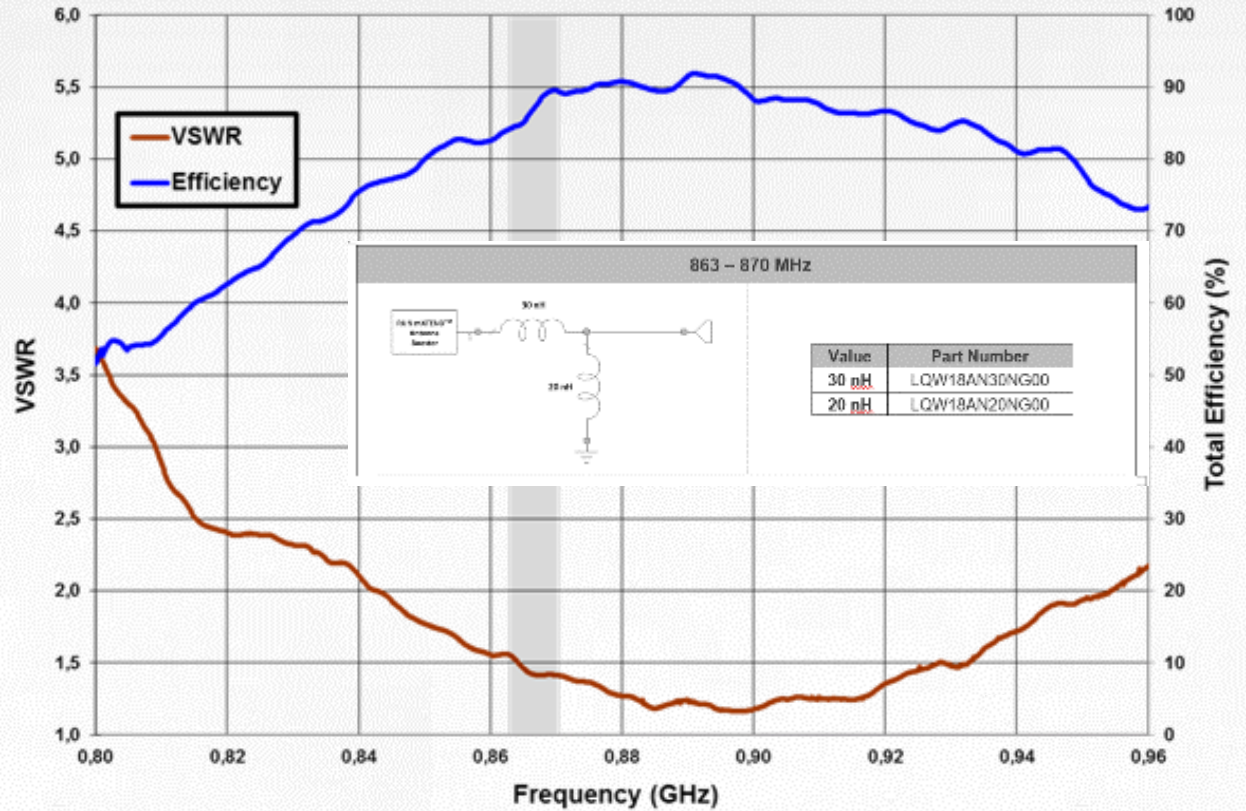


Some Practical Examples

1. ISM Design
2. 2G, 3G Design
3. 2G, 3G, 4G Design
4. 2G, 3G Design in Smart-Meters



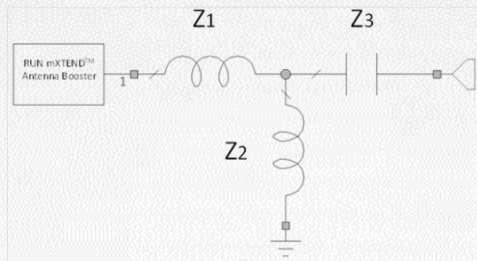
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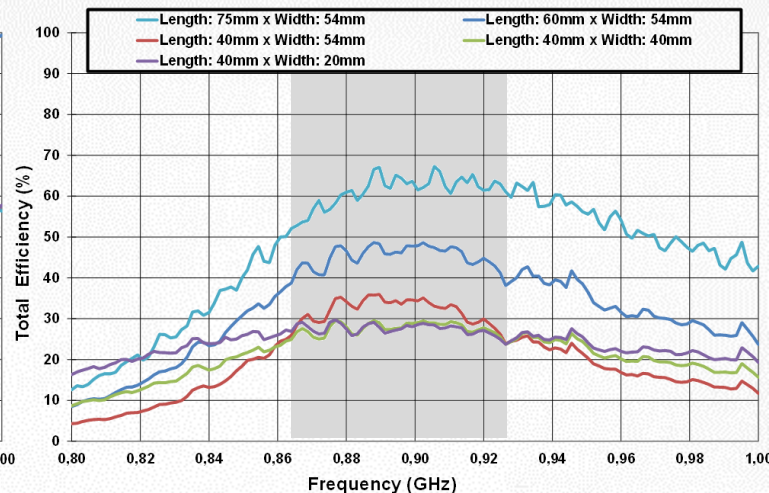
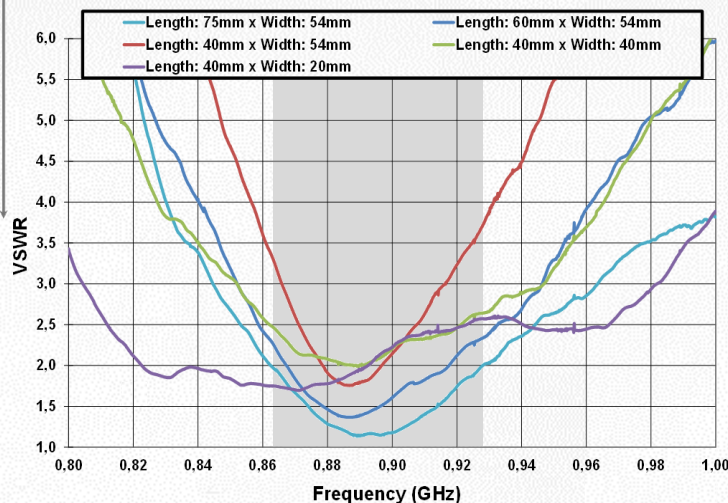
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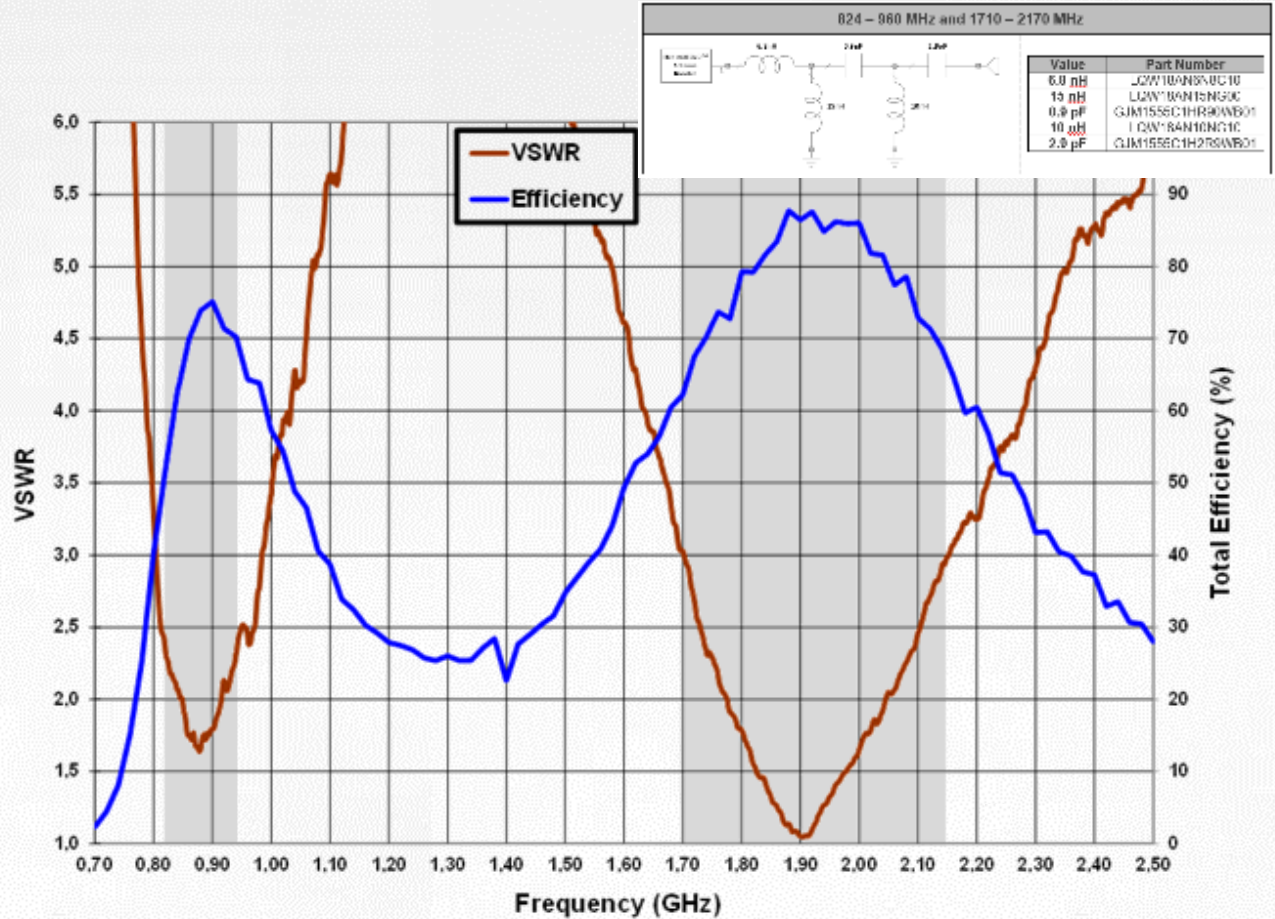
Measure	mm
A	86 - 51
B	75 - 40
C	54 - 20
D	8
E	5



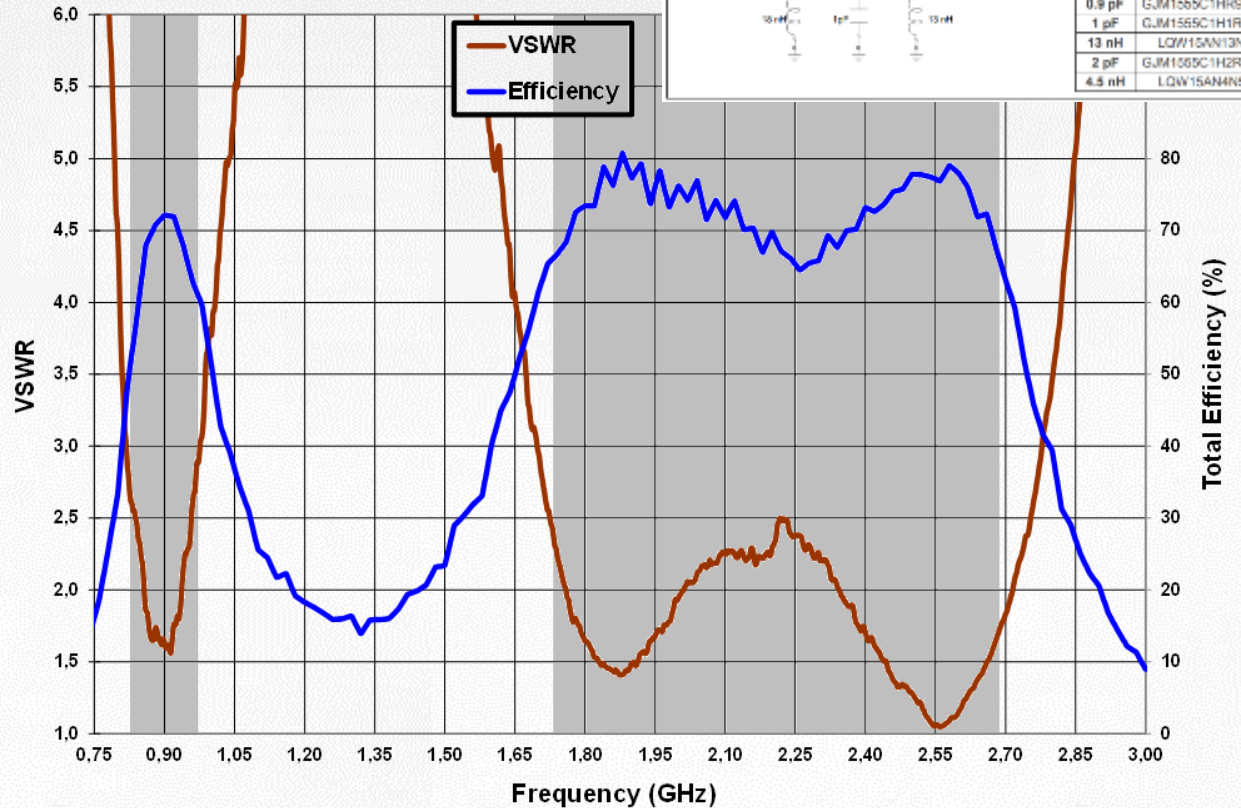
Dimensions (B x C)	Z ₁	Z ₂	Z ₃
75mm x 54mm	24nH	7.5nH	1.8pF
60mm x 54mm	25nH	6.8nH	1.8pF
40mm x 54mm	25nH	7.2nH	1.5pF
40mm x 40mm	27nH	7.2nH	2.1pF
40mm x 20mm	27nH	8.2nH	2.0pF



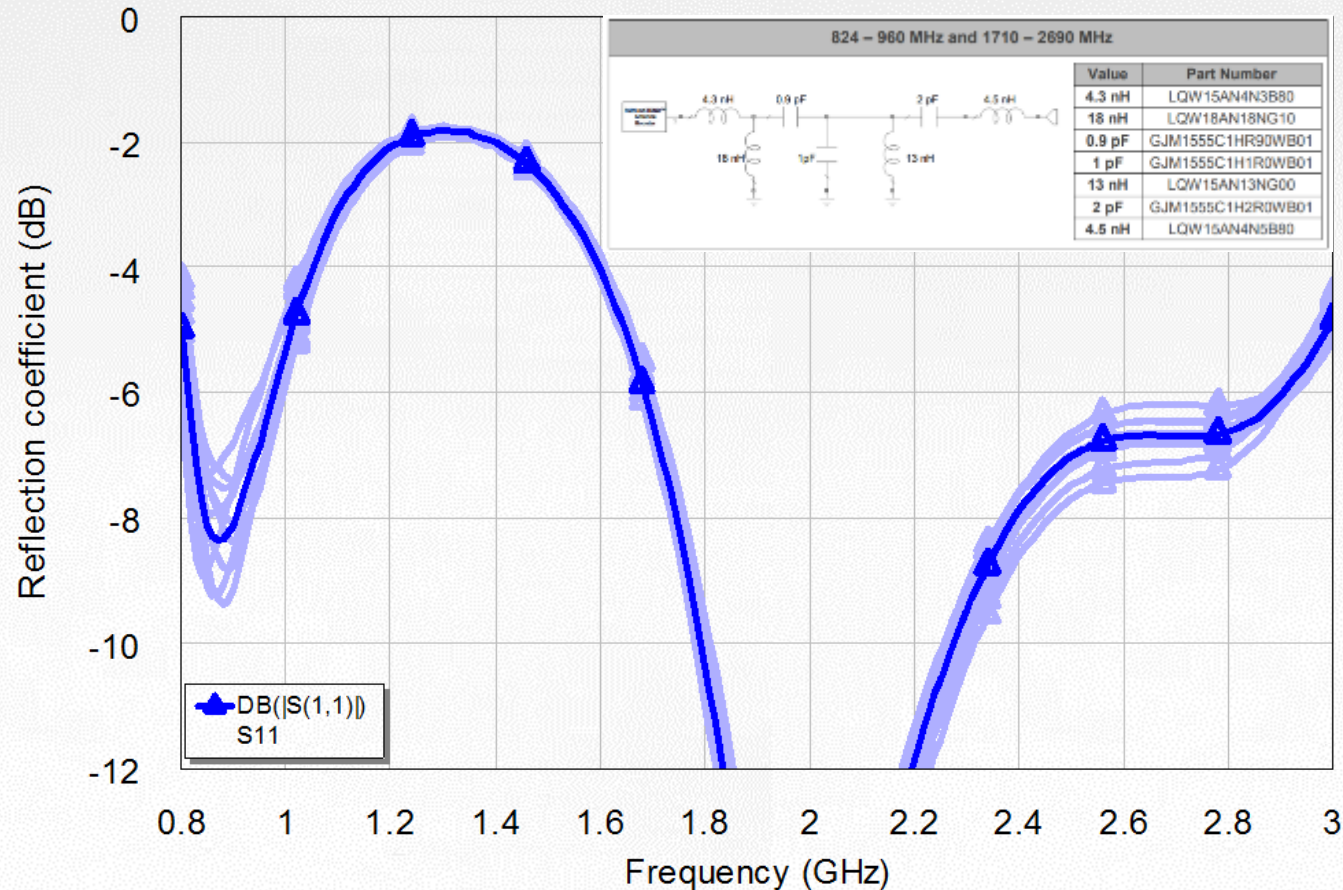
2G, 3G Design



2G, 3G, 4G Design (1/3)



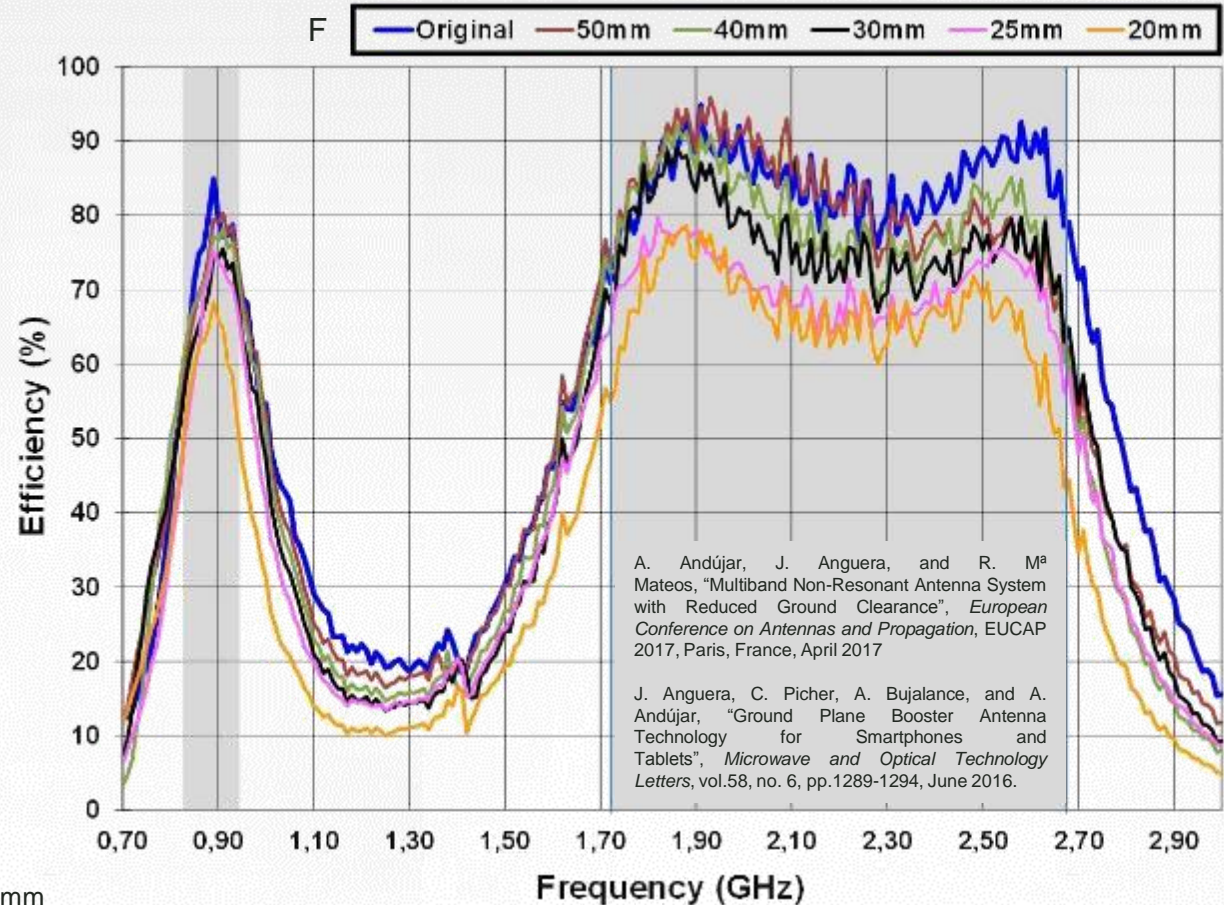
2G, 3G, 4G Design (2/3)



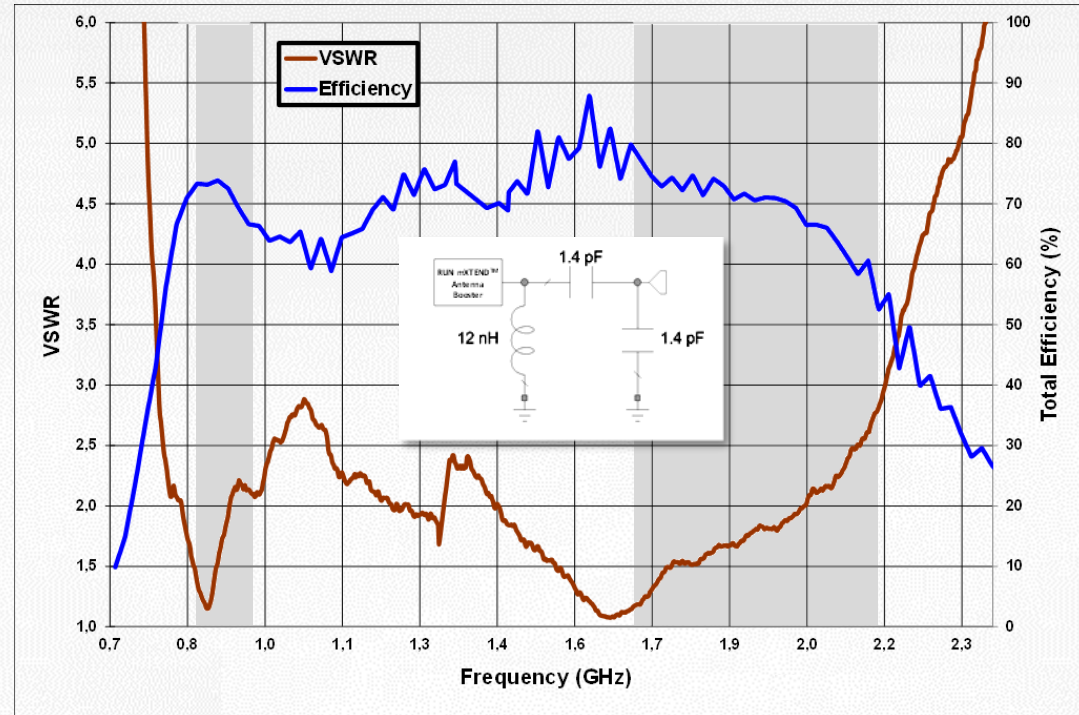
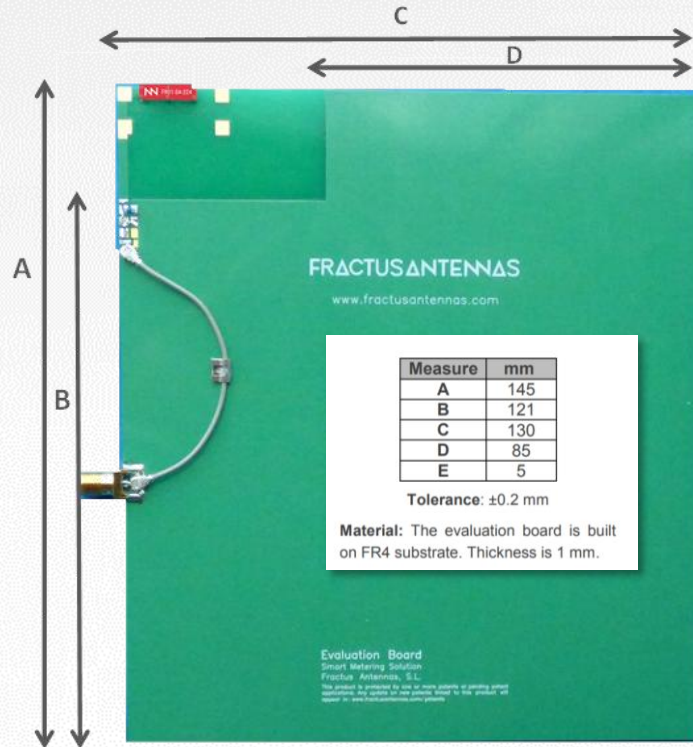
2G, 3G, 4G Design (3/3)



A=131mm, B=120mm, C=60mm, D=8mm



2G, 3G, 4G Design in Smart-Meters

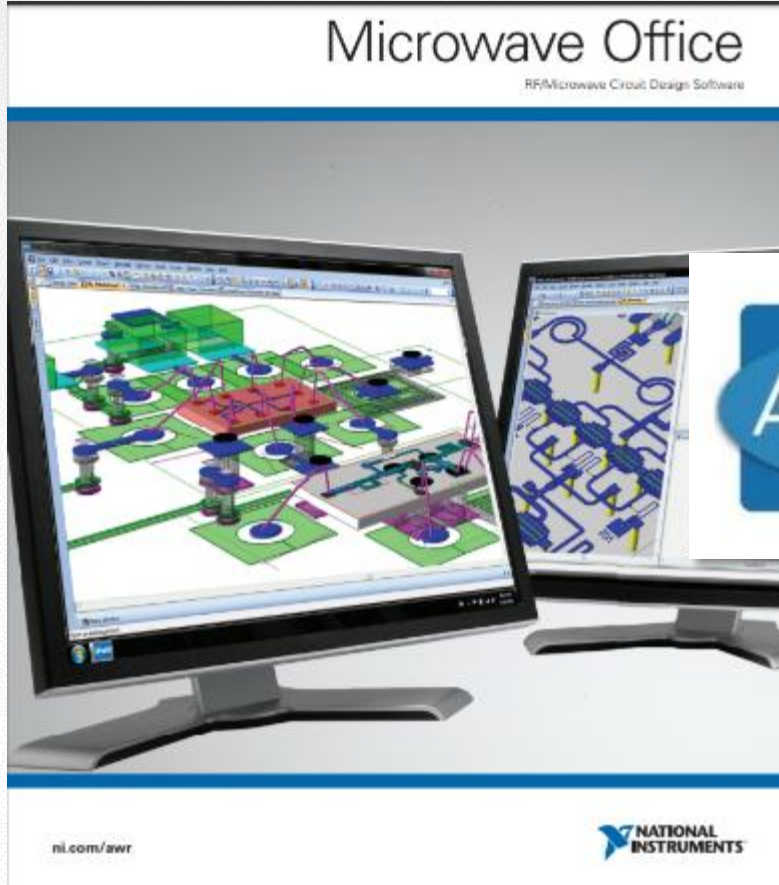


About Richardson

Coffe Break

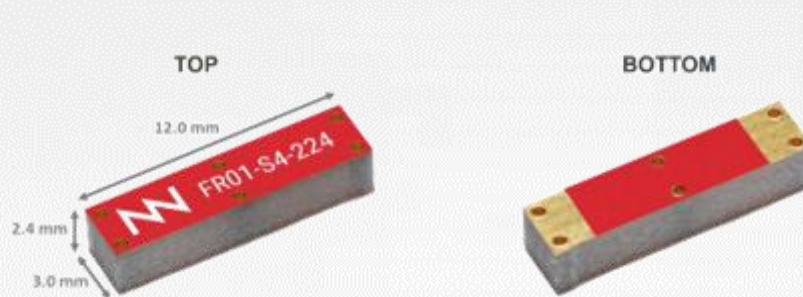


Software Part



NI AWR Design Environment

RUN mXTEND™ – 824-960MHz and 1710-2690MHz



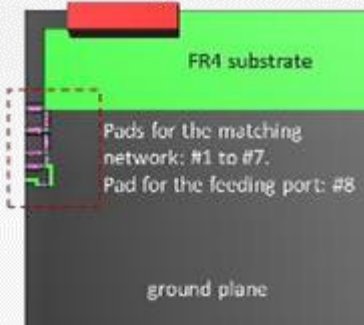
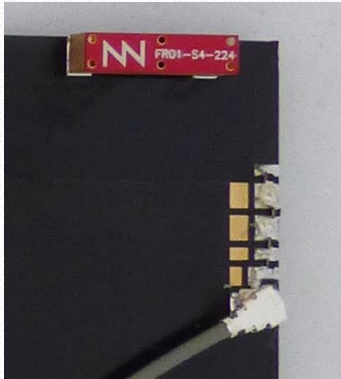
RUN mXTEND™ (FR01-S4-224)

This product and its use is protected by at least one or more of the following patents and patent applications US 8,203,492; US 8,237,615; PCT/EP2013/064692; WO2014/012842; US 62/028,494; US 62/072,671; and other domestic and international patents pending. Additional information about patents related to this product is available at www.fractusantennas.com/virtual-antenna/.



Note: A=131mm, B=120mm, C=60 mm

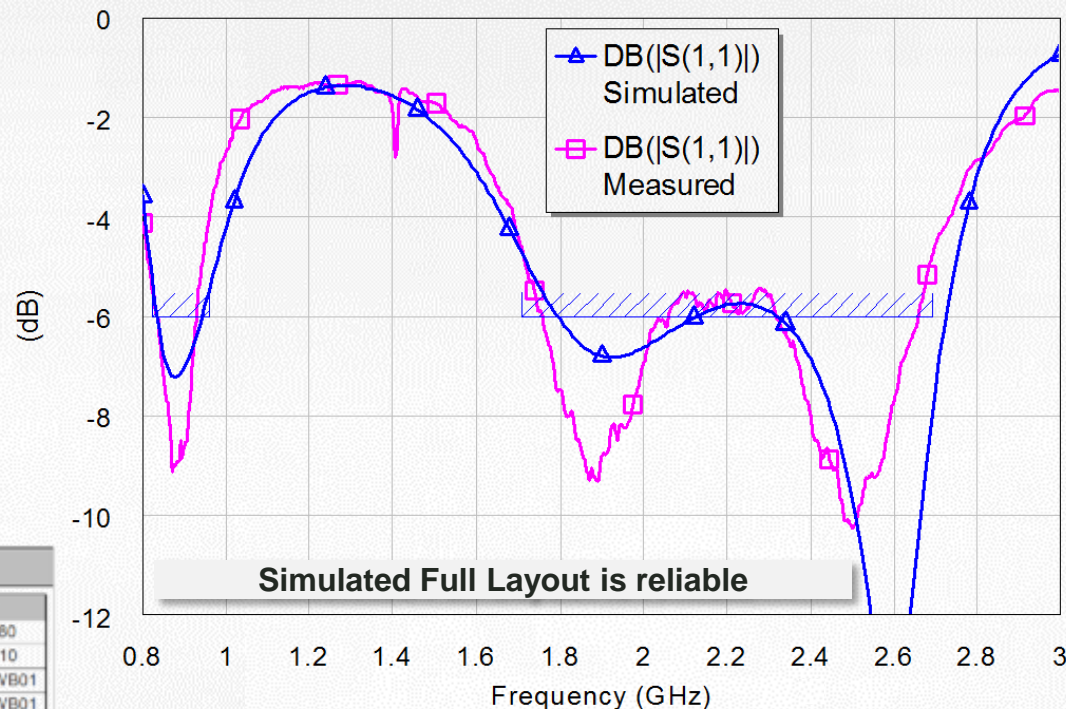
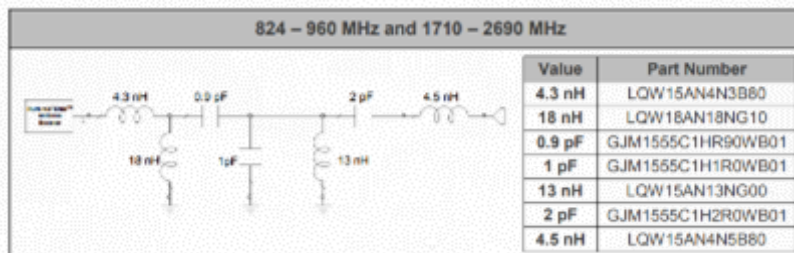
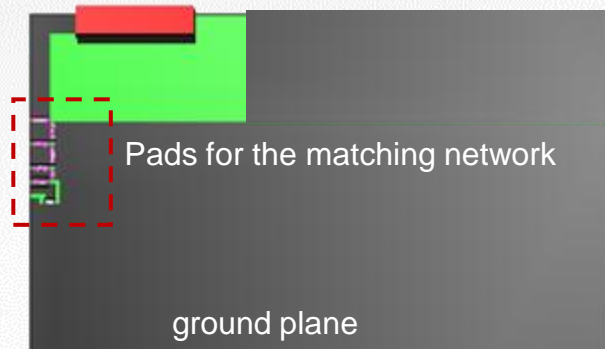
Two approaches

<p>Full layout: Librarie[S]</p>	 <p>FR4 substrate</p> <p>Pads for the matching network: #1 to #7. Pad for the feeding port: #8</p> <p>ground plane</p>	<p>Parasitic effects of pads and lumped components are taken into account. The predicted L and C values for the matching will be close to the final ones</p>	<p>Need a full 3D electromagnetic simulator to obtain the [S] data. Need to know the exact dimensions of the PCB, pads layout, and antenna booster to obtain the [S] data.</p> <p>Alternative: use Librarie[S] available at AWR Microwave Office</p>
<p>Single port</p>		<p>Parasitic effects of pads not taken into account: this may cause a deviation of the predicted L and C</p>	<p>A full 3D simulator is not needed. Only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Librarie[S] or - A vector analyzer

LTE Example: 824-960MHz +1710-2690MHz

Design Process with Full Layout:

- 1) Full layout simulation with EM software
- 2) The same matching network topology as in the App Note is considered

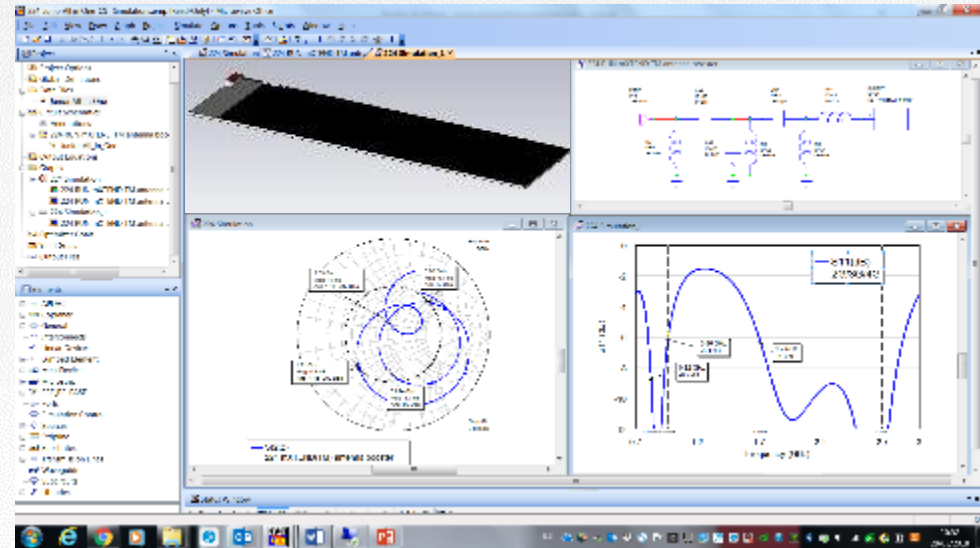


Software Part

From a [S] file corresponding to a RUN mXTEND™ antenna booster without matching network, two examples will be examined:

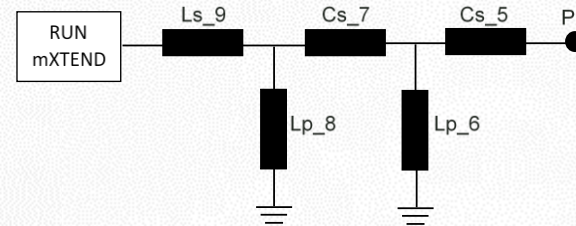
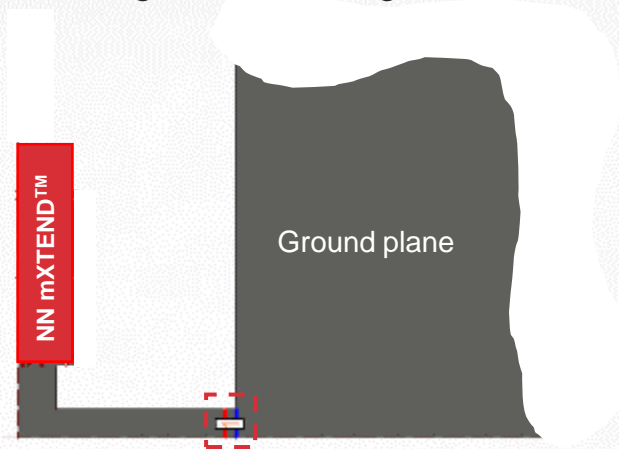
- ISM case
 - 1) Matching step by step with ideal components
 - 2) Optimization
 - 3) Tolerances
 - 4) Real components

- Mobile bands
 - 1) Matching using Librarie-[S]



Software Part: Virtual Antenna™ Library

- [S] parameters are available at AWR Microwave Office for several platforms and with different antenna boosters. A quick-guide is also included with several examples
- Basic steps:
 - ▷ Choose the suitable platform
 - ▷ Select the antenna booster that best suits your device
 - ▷ Design the matching network with AWR Microwave Office

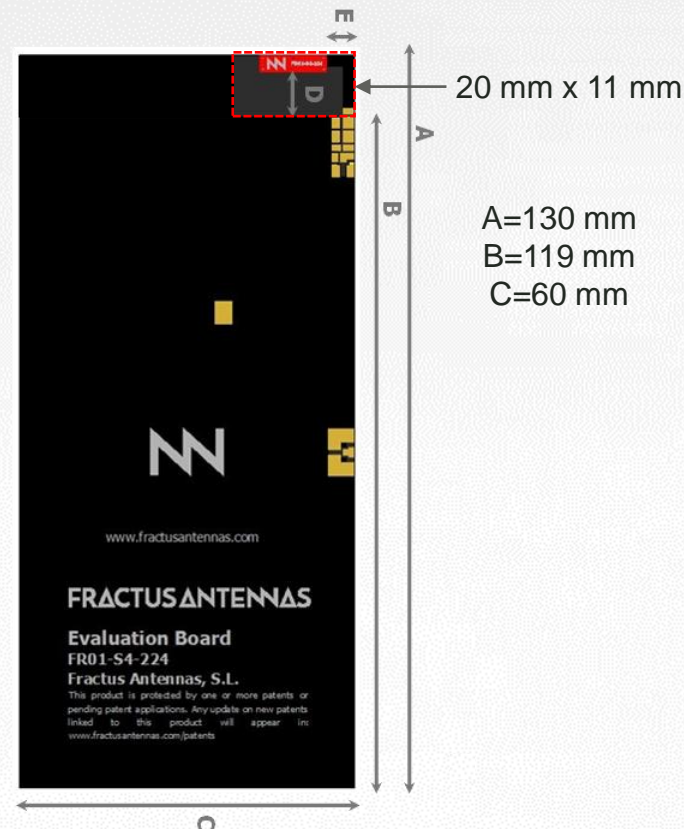


Please, see the information at https://www.fractusantennas.com/files/UM_Libraries.pdf

Software Part: Virtual Antenna™ Library

Application	NN mXTEND™ Antenna Component	Board Size Ax C mm²	Clearance Size wxh mm²	Library File Name
Smart meter	RUN	145x130	45x24	NN_RUN_B145x130_C45x24.s9p
	ALL	145x130	45x24	NN_ALL_B145x130_C45x24.s9p
Smartphone	RUN	130x60	20x11	NN_RUN_B130x60_C20x11.s9p
	RUN	120x60	60x11	NN_RUN_B120x60_C60x11.s9p
Fleet Management Module	RUN	105x45	45x11	NN_RUN_B105x45_C45x11.s9p
	RUN	70x40	40x11	NN_RUN_B70x40_C40x11.s9p
	CUBE	120x60	60x11	NN_CUBE_B120x60_C60x11.s9p
	CUBE	105x45	45x11	NN_CUBE_B105x45_C45x11.s9p
	CUBE	70x40	40x11	NN_CUBE_B70x40_C40x11.s9p
IoT	RUN	90x90	90x11	NN_RUN_B90x90_C90x11.s9p
	RUN	90x70	70x11	NN_RUN_B90x70_C70x11.s9p
	RUN	85x55	55x11	NN_RUN_B85x55_C55x11.s9p
	RUN	70x55	55x11	NN_RUN_B70x55_C55x11.s9p
	RUN	50x55	55x11	NN_RUN_B50x55_C55x11.s9p
	RUN	50x40	40x11	NN_RUN_B50x40_C40x11.s9p
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	CUBE	50x40	40x11	NN_CUBE_B50x40_C40x11.s9p
	CUBE	50x20	20x11	NN_CUBE_B50x20_C20x11.s9p
Wearable	RUN	30x30	14x5	NN_RUN_B30x30_C14x5.s9p
Routers/Repeaters	RUN	140x120	120x11	NN_RUN_B140x120_C120x11.sp
	BAR	140x120	120x11	NN_BAR_B140x120_C120x11.sp

Table 2 – Platforms available in the NN Library[S].



Hardware Part: Step-by-step matching process

- ISM 866MHz-925MHz
- Mobile bands: 824MHz-960MHz and 1710MHz-2690MHz



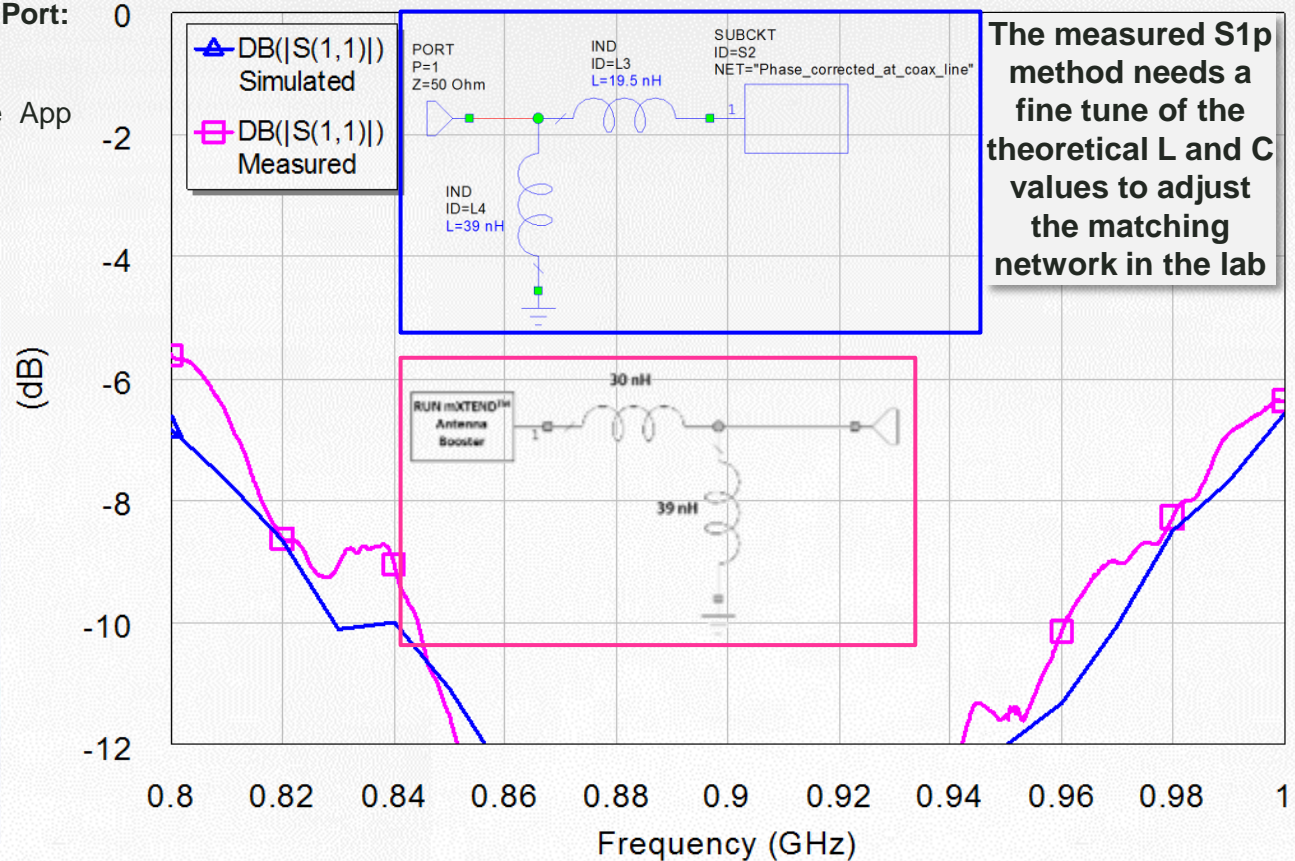
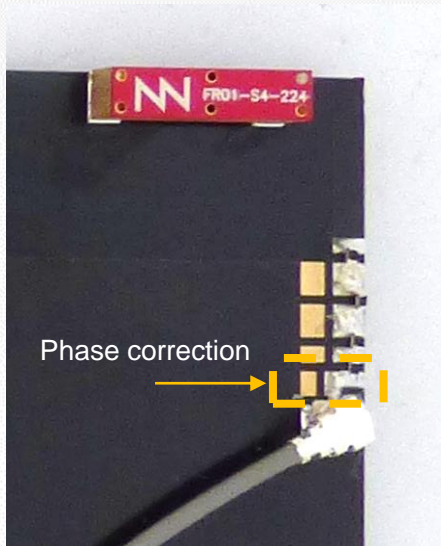
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ISM Example: 902-928MHz

Design Process with Measured Single Port:

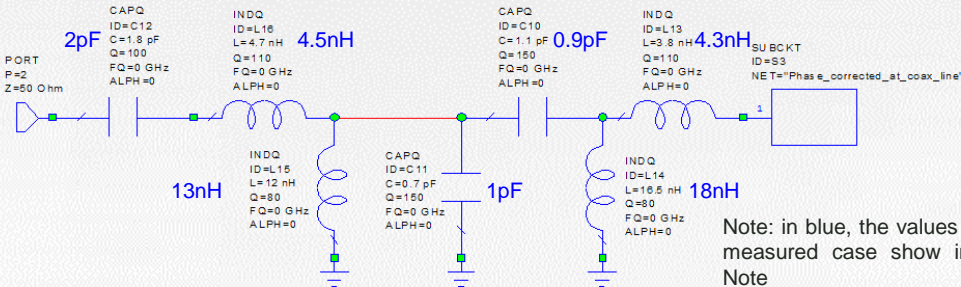
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- 3) Optimization with AWR



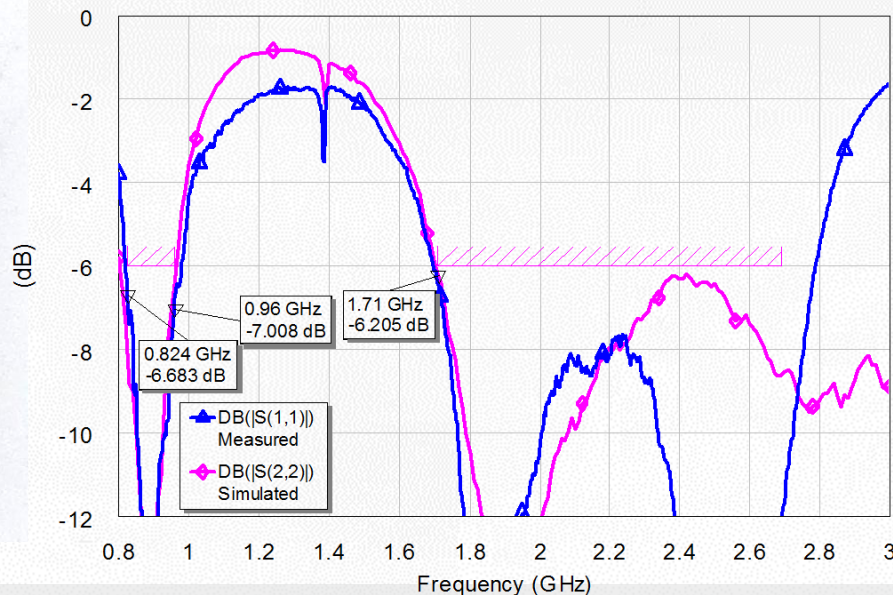
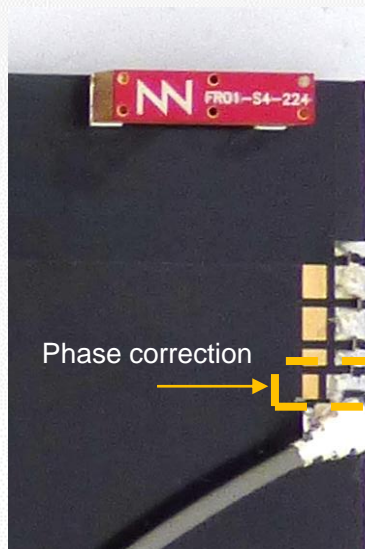
LTE Example: 824-960MHz +1710-2690MHz

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Note: in blue, the values used in the measured case show in the App. Note



The measured S1p method needs a fine tune of the theoretical L and C values to adjust the matching network in the lab

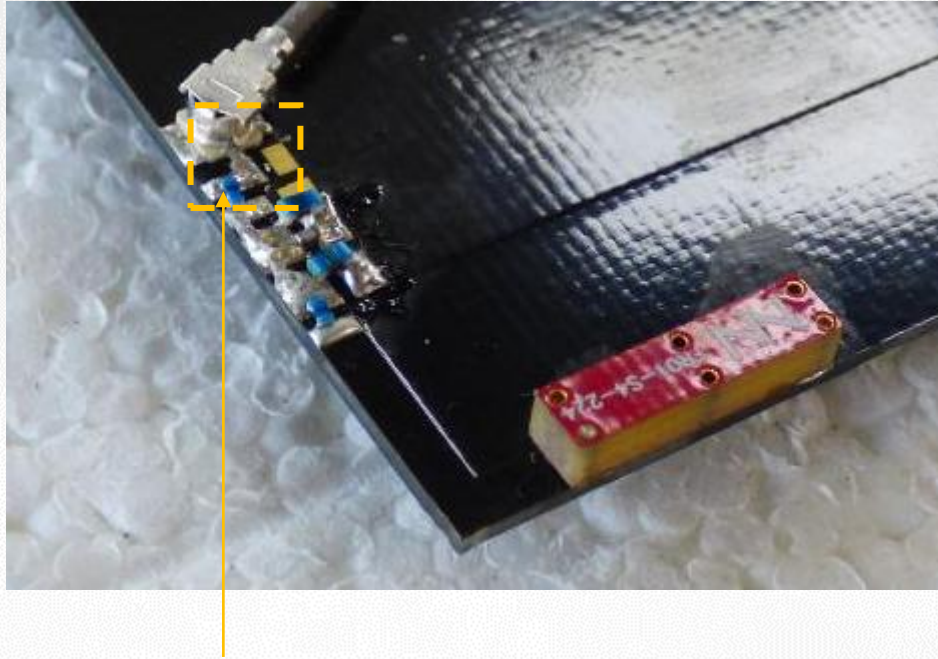
Wizard Network Synthesis: a Magic Matching



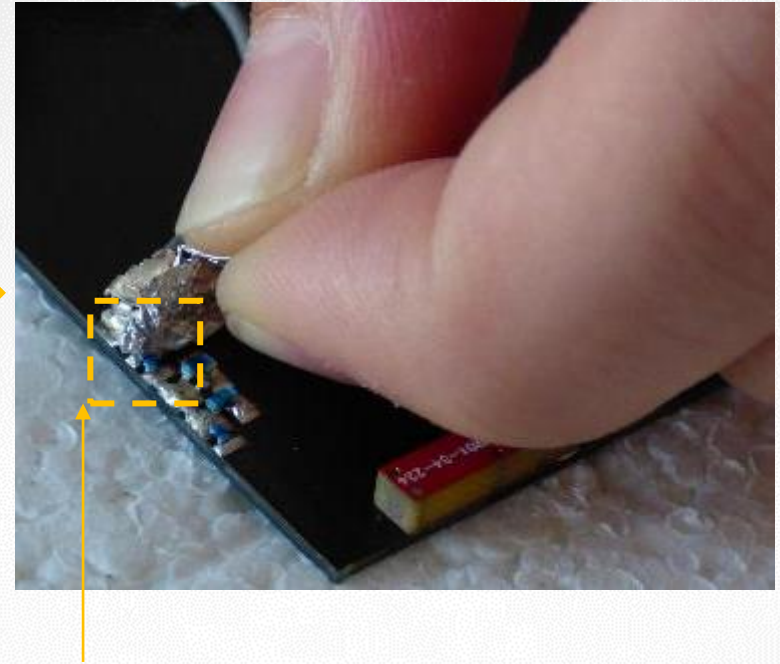
1. Select your PCB size
2. Select the suitable antenna booster
3. Define the frequency bands of operation
4. Specify the target SWR/ S_{11}
5. Let the Network Synthesis of Microwave Office work for you, and...

**“Get your matching network
in the blink of an eye”**

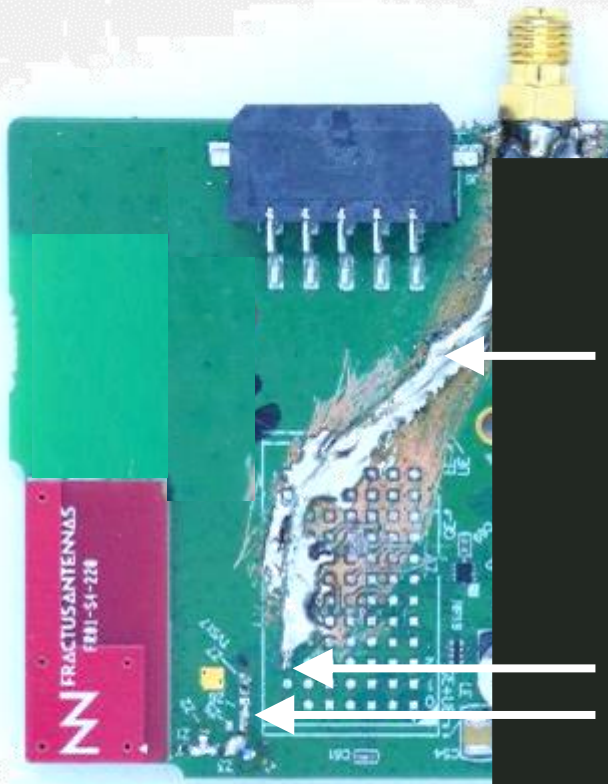
Process to correct the phase



Shortcircuit pad with GND



Practical considerations



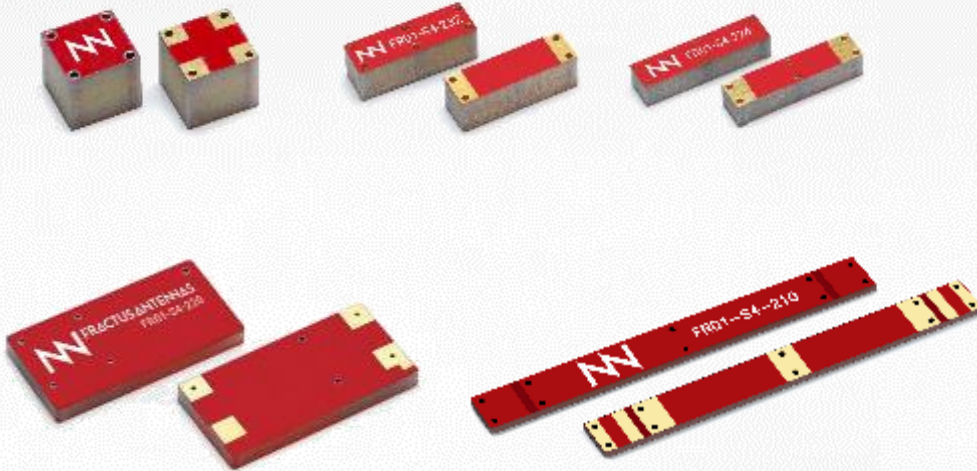
Micro-coaxial transmission line
50 Ω characteristic impedance

The inner conductor of the micro-coaxial is connected at the input/output pad of the Front End Module (previously removed)

Matching network

Conclusions

- **Virtual Antenna Technology** is an **off-the-shelf antenna product**, **small**, **multi-band**, and **pick&place** (SMD component)
- Proven technology through commercial products developed by Fractus Antennas:



APPLICATIONS:

IoT
Metering (Electricity, Water,...)
Fleet-management
Modules
Routers
Smart home
Sensors (Parking, Speed Control, Optics...)
Smartphones, tablets and PCs

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